



# Town of Charlotte

ESTABLISHED 1762

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To: Rutland Town Selectboard  
Re: Resolution Regarding the Siting of Energy Projects  
Date: February 28, 2015

At its meeting on February 23, 2015, the Charlotte Selectboard unanimously passed the attached resolution, which modifies the resolution provided by the Rutland Town Selectboard to include all energy projects.

In brief, the Charlotte Selectboard agrees that Vermont municipalities should have more firm legal standing in the Public Service Board's "Section 248 process". However, municipal legal standing needs to be a principle applied equally to all energy projects, without exception. Perhaps inadvertently, Rutland Town's resolution would hold solar development to a higher standard than large scale fossil fuel or transmission projects. Additionally, as new energy technologies are developed, it seems best to proactively protect the rights of towns to participate meaningfully in the Section 248 process for all energy projects, now and in the future.

Please feel free to let me know if you have any questions.

Best regards,

Dean Bloch, Town Administrator