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Granite Apollo and the Town of Hopkinton Announce Plans for 17-Megawatt Solar Project

“Hopkinton Solar” will be located on the Hopkinton/Webster Municipal Solid Waste Site

Project will generate clean, affordable energy for New Hampshire ratepayers, spur economic development and help decrease regional carbon emissions

Hopkinton, NH – Granite Apollo has signed a Letter of Intent (LOI) with the Towns of Hopkinton and Webster to develop a large-scale solar project at the Hopkinton/Webster Municipal Solid Waste Site.

The decision by the Hopkinton and Webster Select Boards to enter into the LOI was unanimous.

The project, named “Hopkinton Solar,” is proposed to be located on approximately 133 acres of Town owned land off of East Penacook Road in Hopkinton that includes a capped landfill. A 17-megawatt project will generate enough clean electricity to power approximately 4,500 homes and would be one of the largest solar developments on a waste site in the country.

Granite Apollo will lease the land from the Towns to develop the solar project. Granite Apollo will negotiate a power purchase agreement for sale of the power within the ISO-NE marketplace.

The next step is to perform due diligence work, and negotiate a long-term lease agreement for the site. It is expected that a full lease option will be on the March 2019 Town Meeting Warrant in both towns for final approval by the voters.

“The Hopkinton Solar Project will generate clean, renewable power at competitive prices to help Granite Staters save money on their power bills,” said Chris Stewart, principal at Granite Apollo. “Well sited utility scale solar is a key part of New England’s energy future and we are excited to work with the town of Hopkinton and Webster on this project.”

“This is a great opportunity for the Towns of Hopkinton and Webster,” said Jim O’Brien, Hopkinton Select Board Chair. “Our community strongly supports clean energy. We look forward to working closely with Granite Apollo to help make this project successful and a model for large scale, responsible clean energy development in New Hampshire.”

Granite Apollo has also announced plans to develop a 10MW AC solar project in Londonderry, New Hampshire on the Auburn Road Superfund Site.

ABOUT GRANITE APOLLO

Founded by Chris Stewart and Jeremy Hitchcock in 2017, Granite Apollo is a development company focused on large-scale solar energy projects in New England. The company is committed to working

closely with host communities, utilities, permitting agencies, landowners and residents to bring clean energy and new investment to ratepayers across the region.