

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 5217

Petition of Ryegate Wood Energy)
Company, Inc. for a certificate of)
public good, pursuant to 30 V.S.A.)
Section 248, for authority to)
construct and operate a 20-Megawatt)
wood-fired electric generating facility))
in Ryegate, Vermont AND Peition of)
Decker Energy International, Inc. for)
30-year levelized rates pursuant to PSB))
Rule 4.100 (PURPA) (on remand from the)
Supreme Court))

Certificate entered: 8/9/90

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC GOOD
PURSUANT TO 30 V.S.A. §248

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the Public Service Board of the State of Vermont this day found and adjudged that the proposed construction of an eighteen MW wood-fired electric generating station in the Town of Ryegate, Vermont, by Ryegate Wood Energy Company (RWEC) will promote the general good of the State, subject to the following conditions:

1. RWEC shall construct and operate the project at all times in accordance with the evidence and testimony of its witnesses in this docket and the Findings and Discussions in the Board's Orders of September 22, 1988 and October 17, 1989.
2. RWEC shall construct and operate the project at all times in compliance with the conditions proposed by the Division of Historic Preservation of the Agency of Development and Community Affairs in the letter from Eric Gilbertson to Susan

M. Hudson, Clerk of the Board, dated July 30, 1987, and included in the record of this docket as part of Petitioner's exhibit 54.

3. Before commencing construction, RWEC shall donate \$14,000 to the Vermont Land Trust to be used in a farmland protection project. No later than ten days before construction is begun, RWEC shall file with the Clerk of the Board evidences of the receipt of the monies by the Vermont Land Trust.

4. The Board shall retain jurisdiction over the project until such time as it is decommissioned. Security for decommissioning shall be retained for the life of the project. No decommissioning plan shall be implemented or sums set aside for decommission be disbursed during, at, or after the end of the contract term without Board approval.

5. Before the project begins generation, RWEC shall demonstrate by means of permits or other evidences that the disposal of its ash has been satisfactorily arranged in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws.

6. Before the project is permitted to go on-line, RWEC must receive Board approval of the landscaping plan, the lighting, and the exterior finish of the plant.

7. Wood fuel for the project shall be harvested in accordance with RWEC's "Harvesting Policy for Whole Tree Chipping and Roundwood Harvesting Operations in Vermont" and "Proposed Conditions Relating to Harvesting of Fuel" modified as requested by the Agency of Natural Resources.

8. The project shall be built and operated at all times in compliance with applicable local, state, and federal rules, regulations, and permits.

9. Within one year after the beginning of commercial operation, RWEC shall provide VPX and the Board with evidence that its plant meets the NEPEX criteria as a source of firm power.

10. RWEC shall sell the output from the plant to VPX at the rate approved in the Order of October 17, 1989, in this docket and pursuant to a power sales contract to be approved by the Board.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 9th day of August, 1990.

_____)	PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD OF VERMONT
s/Rosalyn L. Hunneman)	
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s/Suzanne D. Rude)	

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

FILED: August 9, 1990

ATTEST: s/Susan M. Hudson
Clerk of the Board