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GEORGE M. BALD Commissioner

> Tim Mueller, President Mount Sunapee Resort PO Box 2021 Newbury, NH 03255

RE: Mount Sunapee Resort Annual Operating Plan 2011-2012

Dear Mr. Mueller,

Pursuant to the authority granted to me under the Lease and Operating Agreement, I have completed my review of Mount Sunapee Resort's Annual Operation Plan (AOP) 2011-2012. I am providing you with conditional approval of your Annual Operating Plan (AOP) 2011-2012.

As the annual contract and lease agreement with an outside company to provide real estate marketing and sales service at Mount Sunapee during the winter ski season requires annual approval from this office, I am granting this use for the 2011-2012 winter ski season.

I have reviewed the comments received from the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES), dated May 24, 2011 (copy attached). I appreciate the excellent working relationship Mount Sunapee Resort has with NHDES, and that the Resort is in compliance in its environmental permitting. I note that NHDES requests additional information regarding the proposed installation of a snowmaking pipe on the Outer Ridge Trail (see NHDES report, pg. 3). Therefore, I provide conditional approval of this project provided that this project meets NHDES requirements and permitting.

Thank you for your continued commitment to Mount Sunapee Ski Area and providing a premier attraction to the citizens and visitors of New Hampshire.

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Enclosure

cc:

Jay Gamble, Vice President, Mount Sunapee Resort Stephen K. Rice, CNL Lifestyle Company, LLC

Mount Sunapee Advisory Committee

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