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a letter of comment reg. EB 2011 0063

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Below is a letter with information that is a concern to all the landowners on Haldimand Rd.#20 regarding the Application for Leave to Construct Transmission Facilities for Grand Renewal Wind LP

I had a meeting with Samsung representatives, Adam Rosso and James Cho. Only a few landowners were invited to get together with Samsung by E Mail but there were no letters mailed out. We started out and looked at the aerial view of my home where there is a pole proposed for the middle of my property closest to my home. I was told that they could place the poles on either side of my property. We looked at the ROW where the overhead line is proposed to go. I tried to point out that by the time you take away the land that is used for the road and gravel shoulder and the ditch, there is not much land left for such a high steel post. A total of 30 Meters at my Home from side to side when I thought the requirement for this was a minimum of 35 Meters (some homes I have been told on the ROW are only 20 Meters). I asked about the health effects and was told that it would be like holding a cell phone to your head. Last night on the TV news it was announced that cell phones give the user cancer, and please don't forget this is on a 24 / 7 basis for all the families on Haldimand Road #20 and for all who visit these families. The lines are proposed to run over the roofs of some of the landowners' homes that are close to the ROW and I was told that they could place the poles on both sides of the roadway. I mentioned that there are homes on both sides of the roadway at many of these areas. In other provinces in Canada installation of this high voltage transmission line is NOT allowed in the ROW and I can see why. If a vehicle was to leave the roadway and strike a pole, as this happens all the time out here, in this case with a steel pole it would surely cause DEATH to one or all occupants of said vehicle (according to the Highway traffic Act are steel poles allowed so close to The Roadway?) If this was a transport truck, it may cause a blowout of the overhead line bringing the live bare line to the ground. I listened to the Ontario Energy Boards hearing last Month about their concerns regarding this same scenario regards to EB 2011 0043 and on farm land and a right of way 130 meters in width and the liability issue..

I mentioned the 30 to 50 % drop in value of said homes and was told it's going through better than upset 53 land owners than 100 on another road way route and that they could expropriate my home like Hydro One. Also, to my knowledge when that happened, real estate value was paid at current market price and all lines were 200 meters from all residents. There were no overhead lines that run 19 kilometers parallel so close to a roadway "the busiest road in Haldimand County".

I was told that morning that where the transition stations are planned to go that the land owners concerned have signed and that the contract is in the hands of the lawyer. I have talked to said land owners and at this time of writing, no such signatures have been obtained. One of the landowners who was interested was taken to look at one of these steel posts and when he heard how noisy it was, he lost interest in signing.

Yes I am interested in the quality of this installation and the effect that WILL happen to Man and Animals, dangers to impede traffic flow, when this could be reallocated or be underground Norman Negus

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