

# HALDIMAND FEDERATION of AGRICULTURE

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**Ontario Energy Board**

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## **Re EB-2011-0063**

Further Interrogatory to the Applicant:

Dear Ms. Walli,

The proponent proposes to construct a 20 km high tension electric transmission line along County Road 20 in Haldimand County to deliver power from their GREP project to the Ontario grid.

We acknowledge the response of the applicant to our earlier interrogatory referenced as HFA IRR. We wish to pose a

SUPPLEMENTARY question in response to the applicant's answer to our interrogatory dated July 25, 2011 and referenced as HFA IRR # 3

### **PREAMBLE:**

The submitted answer is confusing: Quote:

The Applicant notes that the basis upon which the Haldimand Federation of Agriculture (HFA) poses these questions is incorrect. The cost required to transport the electricity generated from the Solar Project will not ultimately be paid by the HFA members. Rather this is a cost of operation that is absorbed directly by Grand Renewable Solar LP.

### **QUESTIONS:**

1) At what point is the wind and solar GREP generated power metered and delivered to the Ontario grid and ultimately paid for by the Ontario consumer?

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2) Will the power generated by the wind component of the GREP be delivered to the grid at a different location than the solar generated power?

Additional questions HFA also poses the following questions to the applicant:

3) **Preamble:** Haldimand County is home to numerous active, dormant and abandoned natural gas wells. After construction of the overhead high tension lines it may be impossible to service existing producing wells in close proximity to the line due to the nature of gas well maintenance equipment and procedures. In addition it may be difficult or impossible to plug abandoned wells close to the ROW, as per long term MNR strategy. Casual observation confirms the existence of gas wells on or near the ROW.

**Question:** Has the applicant identified the existence of active, dormant or abandoned natural gas wells on or near the Haldimand Right of Way? What measures can be undertaken to continue the availability of this resource to our members.

4) **Preamble:** Many noise related questions have been reported in the general and farm related press.

**Question:** Is the applicant aware of any recent studies of noise level measurements at a distance of 550 metres or more from one or more wind turbine generators, under various atmospheric conditions in a rural setting?

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