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My comments

To whom it may concern:

I feel any and all intrusion on farm land takes it out of production. Green energy should not be taking prime agricultural land out of production. Good farm land is an essential and precious asset and being destroyed at an alarming rate.

This cannot be considered green

Wind Energy is not a reliable or sustainable form of energy. It cannot be depended upon. If wind energy would replace nuclear and petroleum based power 100% I may be able to accept cluttering up the beautiful countryside and interfering with productive farming practises with turbines, towers and lines. Wind energy is not sustainable or reliable, this cannot be green and I cannot accept this blatant disregard for out land.

Although I have never been presented with a contract, I have been informed that numerous lawyers have advised their clients that these contracts are unacceptable and should not be signed.

If Toronto is the destination for the power would it not make more sense constructing turbines and transmission lines closer to the end user. There are adequate lakes around Toronto to capture the wind.

I spoke with a representative from NextEra over the phone a year ago in the fall. I asked why they wouldn't go north to the rock where no prime agricultural land would be taken out of production. His only reply was that it would cost too much, yet our livelihood and the food production for the future is no concern to this company.

I sincerely hope that there can be a moratorium on the construction of wind energy until all concerns have been met.

Beth Cooper

