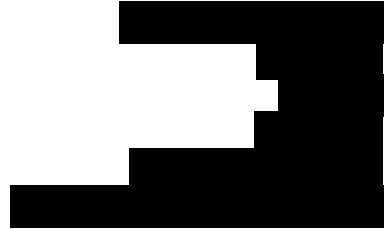


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Dear Kirsten Walli,  
Board Secretary

I am making a formal request that OEB hearings above, be made Oral hearings rather than a written hearing.

I have attended many many so called "open house meetings" by Nextera, and to be quite honest I have found these meetings to be almost a waste of time, sometimes the meetings, at least one, have actually been held outdoors in Community Picnic Pavilion because Nextera forgot to book the facility, so imagine trying to get information when the boards they use to present information are seen flying off their stands, some of the stands stuck to the concrete with tape, Is this is the way this company would install their equipment?, other times they have failed to book facilities and have had to re-schedule meetings from one location to another.

When attending these meetings, there has been a number of requests been made that future meetings to held are held in a more formal Question and Answer type format, but Nextera continue to insist in holding these type of open houses, you might ask why and they say its to give people a chance to attend at any time throughout the open house type meeting, where actually I feel the real reason is that they get asked so many questions that can't answer, they just say we'll get back to you.

When you attend any Nextera open house, for the most part, the information they present is incorrect and they make some lame excuse and turn away to try and ignore the issues. I have actually seen members of the public brought to tears because of Nextera's inadequacy, inability to provide answers. Do they get back to you, no, or if they do its months after the event. The open houses, generally don't have all the details of how many turbines, what size and power outage they will be installing have, and the exact number of turbines that will be installed and where they will be installed, this even after all the public open houses have expired. How is it possible for the public meetings to have been completed for these projects when clearly Nextera don't even have an approved plan for the transmission lines, the more you look into this situation the more farcical it becomes, their so called experts at the open houses just shake their heads and

move you to another person, who know's equally as much. I firmly believe that Nextera are "just going through the motions" because they are obliged too, doesn't matter if they don't have the answers.

Nextera do not have permission to build poles or run lines along Kerwood Road, or Elginfield Road because the Landowners in certain areas have not bowed down to the excessive visits by the land agents who Nextera employ, who try to intimidate landowners into signing whatever leases they require. That's why Nextera have made application to the County of Middlesex to use County Rights of Way to install the Poles and Equipment that they have to install without getting the Landowners Permission. The County Engineer, has a number of issues with this plan, including road safety with all the additional poles having to be installed. On some sections of the roadways that Nextera would propose to use there already Hydro One Poles installed and being used, what would Nextera do zig zag back and forth across the roadways to prevent pole duplication. If their proposal were to be accepted, some of the high voltage wires would also effect heritage buildings within the county.

The people in this community deserve the opportunity to listen directly to Netxera's reasons why our countryside should be destroyed, decimated even more, to allow this company to make money at the taxpayers expense, when clearly the province has an abundance of power already.

There are many health concerns around the installation of wind turbines, It's my understanding that all the communities in Middlesex county, as well as Middlesex County Council support a moratorium against further wind farm construction until the Federal Health study is completed. Construction and operation have major effects on wildlife, and farm animals. This aside to the quality of life of the effected folks who, against there will, have to live with 500 feet high wind turbines and now could possibly have to live with !00 feet high transmission line poles in front of their homes.

Yours Sincerely  
Graham Schofield and Charmaine Kirk