

Friday, April 12, 2013

The Board  
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RE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND HEARING – WIND ENERGY INC. (APPLICANT (S))  
**FILE#EB-2013-0031**  
SUBSECTION: COMMENT TO THE BOARD

Attention: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary, OEB

Dear Ms. Walli:

This will be my fourth and final letter to you concerning the NOTICE published in the Tribune dated March 18, 2013. My first letter dated March 20, 2013 requesting an “oral hearing” concerning the application for determination of location of distribution facilities within road allowances owned by the Township of Wainfleet. My second letter of approximately 1800 words to you dated March 21, 2013 submitting my “Comment to the Board” and my third letter to you dated March 26, 2013 under subsection “Intervenor” status followed by a Petition with 67 Wainfleet citizens who have expressed vehement opposition to this project going forward.

The Liberal Government is attempting to approve as many wind projects as possible despite the fact that they know about the myriad of problems they are creating. The fact of the matter is the Green Energy Act is flawed. The modelling is wrong. They are promoting blatant corruption, deceit and human sacrifice knowing homeowners’ are in harms way of excessive dBA and infrasound noise levels. Let’s get a real bonafide Health Canada Study at the Consumer and Clinical Radiation Protection Bureau for Healthy Environments and Consumer Safety Branch. When the results of previous studies have been submitted the MOE response is “NOTED” and then ignored.

The Liberal Government's number one program is "green energy" and they know it will unravel when all of the concrete evidence is revealed to the public. We are at the tipping point now where it is paramount that we stop all the development of any further wind turbines until such time as the results are in from the Health Canada Study in 2014.

It is imperative that these government subsidies be stopped to these wind turbine developers' because this is what is driving their agenda. If not reigned in, they will bankrupt the Province. We simply cannot feasibly continue down this path. The growth of these wind farms near residential areas is about to become an industrial plague and for the government to allow this travesty of property devaluations together with noise related health problems to continue is wrong on so many levels. We are being harassed and victimized by the Liberal Government.

It is our right to enjoy peace in and around our homes. Protection of our prime farmlands, a clean water source and a healthy environment should be the priority of our elected representatives. We are not going to stand by and be used as sacrificial lambs for development interests despite the financial incentives offered to some municipal leaders. It is obvious it is the intent of these wind turbine developers to clear out the farmers and neighbouring property owners away from prime source water lands. This is going to be achieved by the inception of the GIGANTIC WIND TURBINES NEXT TO HOMEOWNERS WITH NO FURTHER SETBACKS ALLOWANCES. I/WE take objection to the fact that when the green energy act was implemented, setback regulations for wind turbines were not dealt with accordingly and responsibly.

I haven't even touched on the billions of migratory birds that take advantage of the same wind currents that are most beneficial for producing wind. As many as 440,000 birds are killed by existing wind turbines every year. Wind energy must not be produced at the expense of our wildlife. Wind turbines should not be located in areas where birds congregate, migrate or breed. I painfully site the Bald Eagle Nest Destruction by NEXTERA on the morning of January 5, 2013. Whomever is responsible for approving this action should have been fired.

All wind turbine proposals should be subject to an environmental assessment **prior to development in order to evaluate their impact on all wildlife including**

**birds and bats. Provincial and territorial governments need to adopt policies and guidelines that exclude wind energy projects from important bird areas and other areas that are known of importance to wildlife habitats.**

**Noise, vibration and acoustics are causing animals to become sick and die. The movement of the turbine blades are effecting the bat's "sonar" in their range finding and navigation.**

**There are numerous case studies documented and filed where those subjected to PHASE ONE of wind turbines are angry, sick and could not sleep. People unanimously do not want to proceed with a PHASE TWO wind turbine project. Another case study reveals crippling headaches, nose bleeds, constant ringing in the ears, body aches, trouble sleeping. When laying down at night their heart would beat to the pulse of the turbine. Heart problems, visual problems and digestive problems have all be documented. Early findings suggest wind turbines create a high intensity, low frequency sound which affects the whole body. Sound potentially causes debilitating illness. Researchers believe the vibrations the sound causes in the inner ear may lead to vibro-acoustic disease which results in dizziness, nausea and sleep disturbance. There is scientific research data indicating wind turbines introduce a change into the environment of homes.**

**It is simply wrong to destroy the peaceful views from our homes and not fair to subject homeowners to low frequency noise and health problems caused by EMF RADIATION living in close proximity to wind turbines together with reduced property values. The sound, the strobe light, the vibration, the shadow flickering, the noise (including grey noise) or any other adverse effects or combination thereof are obviously not of concern in the green energy act which, may I add, is the greatest scam ever perpetrated on Ontarians.**

**Industrial Wind Turbine noise has a unique and visceral sound character which is twice as loud as measured. The fact of the matter is that these wind turbines have a devastating effect on the "living environment".**

**We taxpayers pay for protection of the investment in our homes and our health. What gives the Liberal Government the right to make residents lives a " living hell" with no hope of ever selling their homes or relocating. We are growing**

**frustrated at the lack of proper wind turbine setbacks, health risks and property devaluation. Wind turbines are known to depopulate the area. Some homeowner's feel threatened and want to sell before the wind project starts. Insurance companies no longer want to insure homes and farms near wind turbines. Neighbours are angry and worried about their health and their animals health.**

There have been accounts of wind developers saying wind turbines have no effect on property values even though there is evidence to the contrary. Common sense dictates that these wind turbines do not belong around people's homes, children, livestock and wildlife. That is why wind turbine developers are buying homes and bulldozing them and providing "shut up" or "go away" money to silence their concerns. There is also a case study where one family was put up in a hotel for one month at the wind turbine developer's expense due to health issues due to a ridiculously dangerous setback allowance. Eventually people are paid to leave their homestead. Already residents exposed to property devaluations have friends who have had "gag orders" placed upon them and have moved away due to health problems resulting from turbines being placed too close to family homes.

**WHAT ARE THE HEALTH RISKS OF LARGER TURBINES? WHAT ARE THE ADEQUATE SET BACKS FOR HEALTH SAFETY? THE LARGER WIND TURBINES WILL ONLY SERVE TO DEPOPULATE THE PRIME FARMLAND OF FARMERS.**

**WHAT HAS CHANGED HERE IS THAT A SURREPTICIOUS REVISION OF PRIME FARM LANDS IS TAKING PLACE AND REPLACED WITH INDUSTRIAL. CUMULATIVE DEVELOPMENT IMPACTS ARE NOT PROPERLY BEING ADDRESSED.**

**THE TOWNSHIP PASSING THIS NEW BYLAW SUGGESTING THAT WAINFLEET IS NOT A "WILLING HOST" OF TURBINES INDICATES ONE THING TO ME. THEY ARE RUNNING SCARED. IT IS IN THE WIND THAT THERE IS GOING TO BE A FLURRY OF RESIDENTS WRITING TO MPAC LAUNCHING APPEALS OF THEIR HOME ASSESSMENT VALUES RESULTING IN A SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION OF THEIR TAX BASE.**

**AS HOMEOWNER'S WE ARE LOSING CONTROL OF OUR VERY OWN PROPERTY RIGHTS!**

**THESE WIND FARMS CREATE AN EASEMENT IN NON-PARTICIPATING PROPERTY THAT IMPAIRS VALUE. IT IS TANTAMOUNT TO AN "INVERSE EXPROPRIATION" OR REGULATING THE "TAKING OF OUR PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS" BUT IS EFFECTIVELY AN UNCOMPENSATED TAKING.**

**I THEREFORE, DULY CALL FOR A COMPLETE SUSPENSION OF WIND ENERGY DEVELOPMENT AND I /WE WILL NOT STOP UNTIL SUCH ACTION IS TAKEN. DUE TO THE CRITERIA IN THE GREEN ENERY ACT THESE SETBACK ALLOWANCES FROM FAMILY HOMES ARE ALLOWING THESE WIND TURBINE DEVELOPERS TO GET AWAY WITH MURDER!**

**FOR THE RECORD/FILED  
This 12<sup>th</sup> day of APRIL 2013  
by Katherine Pilon**

