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The Honourable James Bradley
Minister of the Environment
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Dear Minister Bradley:

We are writing to you today on behalf of Ms. Marcelle Brooks, who contacted our offices with serious concerns about Renewal Energy Approval #2494-94QQ97, issued on April 26, 2013 for the Bornish Wind Energy Centre, to be located in the Municipality of North Middlesex.

Bornish Wind Inc., Kerwood Wind Inc., and Jericho Wind Inc. are co-owners of the Parkhill Interconnect and all three projects will be using the 115 kV transmission line, but only Jericho Wind Inc. is the proponent of the Parkhill Interconnect Project. The Project Description Report for the Bornish Wind Energy Centre makes reference to the Parkhill Interconnect as the route the electricity will take to connect to the 500 kV line, but the report does not state that the Parkhill Interconnect is part of their Renewable Energy Application. In fact, in a letter dated January 29, 2013, Ms. Doris Dumais, Director of the Environmental Approvals Access and Service Integration Branch for the Ministry of the Environment, confirms that the Parkhill Interconnect substation is proposed as part of the Jericho Wind Energy Centre and is subject to Ontario's Renewable Energy Approval Regulation – O. Reg. 359/09. Ms. Dumais goes on to point out that the REA process requires that all aspects of a project, including transmission lines, switchyards and substations must be assessed by the proponent, and this would necessitate the inclusion of these studies as part of the REA process for the Jericho Wind Energy Centre, which has just recently begun its 6 month technical review by the Ministry of the Environment.



An excerpt from the Project Report for the Jericho Wind Energy Centre clearly states: "Jericho Wind, Inc. is proposing to develop the Jericho Wind Energy Centre and the Parkhill Interconnect Project ("Parkhill Interconnect"), which are subject to Ontario Regulation 359/09 (Renewable Energy Approvals (REA) under Part V.0.1 of the Ontario Environmental Protection Act (EPA)."

Minister, could you please clarify why the requisite studies for the Parkhill Interconnect were submitted as part of the Bornish Wind Energy Centre's REA, when it is part of the Jericho Wind Energy Centre's REA application and how did it receive approval? Would you also outline why there is an application by Bornish Wind, LP, Kerwood Wind, Inc. and Jericho Wind, Inc. (EB-2013-0040, EB-2013-0041) before the Ontario Energy Board to construct electricity transmission lines and related facilities in Middlesex County, when the application for the Parkhill Interconnect under the Jericho Wind Energy Centre REA process has not received final approval?

Minister Bradley, please respond to Ms. Brooks directly and we look forward to a copy of your response.

Sincerely,

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cc. Ms. Marcelle Brooks, [REDACTED]
✓ Board Secretary, Ontario Energy Board
Mr. Ben Greenhouse, NextEra Energy Canada, ULC
Ms. Doris Dumais, Director, Environmental Approvals Access Branch
Mr. Vic Fedeli, MPP, Nipissing
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