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EB-2013-0233 East Durham Wind Inc.

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Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 27th Floor 2300 Yonge Street Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: East Durham Wind Inc. ("East Durham") Application to Determine the Location of Distribution Facilities within Road Allowances Owned by the Municipality of West Grey Board File No. EB-2013-0233

We are intervenors, and pursuant to Procedural Order No. 2 issued on July 31, 2013, please find attached our responding submissions to East Durham Argument in Chief.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By Syd and Karen Parkin Intervenors

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Responding submission 1

Reference:

East Durham Argument in Chief, page 4, line 18-20 and related footnote

Where practicable, and where it meets all applicable engineering, environmental and health and safety standards, the Distribution System lines shall be located 1-4 metres from the abutting property line.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>3</sup> Once the detailed engineering process is completed, however, East Durham may be required to slightly deviate from the 1-4 metre setback to minimize the need for tree cutting, road crossings and guy anchors on private properties, as well as to accommodate the flow of the ditch drainage.

## Preamble:

The Municipality of Genelg is a community of farms and families and became part of Grey County in 1851. Some fence lines along the proposed distribution facility route have been established and generally accepted before modern surveying methods. Where the property lines have been identified by a legal survey, the 1-4 metre setback is too close to an abutting property line as it may interfere with future land use by property owners. A common setback for many land use applications require a 3 metre minimum setback. Furthermore the related footnote indicates there may be "slight" deviations to this already short setback. Board staff questioned East Durham Wind the method of determining the 1-4 metre setback from abutting property lines and requested documentation to qualify the 1-4 metre setback. East Durham Wind responded with a reply justifying the 1-4 metre setback on the experience of East Durham Wind and their affiliates, is generalized to the continent of North America and is without qualifying documentation<sup>1</sup>.

Question/ Request:

- a) Whereas established and accepted fence lines and property lines may not agree with a formal survey, where will East Durham Wind begin measument for the determined setback?
- b) Please indicate how East Durham determined the "1-4 metres" parameter as being Appropriate in Ontario. If it is standard practice in Ontario, please submit relevant documentation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> East Durham Wind, Aug. 26/13, IR Responses pg 5, line 4-9

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c) Please quantify the term "slightly" regarding deviations from the determined setback.

Responding Submission 2 Reference:

Page 3, line 3, under heading 2.0 PROPOSAL FOR LOCATION OF THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

Preamble:

A table is presented, East Durham identifies by road name, segments of road allowances, distances of segments etc. There have been a number of studies linking childhood leukemia with exposure to high voltage electrical fields.

Question/ Request:

a) Of the segments identified on this table, and any other segment of road allowance that is proposed for the distribution facility route, are there any schools, daycare centres, churches, homes or any other place that children may gather, at any time?

Submitted by;

Original signed by, Syd and Karen Parkin Intervenors

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