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Re: Dufferin Wind Power Inc.'s (DWPI) Application for the Energy Board to Expropriate Land to Construct, Operate and Maintain a 230kv Transmission Line Reference Board File No. EB-2013-0268

We are writing to you today as we are property owners directly across from a farm owned by Mark Atkinson located in the Township of Melancthon. Dufferin Wind Power Inc. has applied to expropriate this land to construct a 230kv above ground power line which will supply a wind turbine project in our community.

If this application is successful our home will be approximately 150 meters from this power line. Upon commissioning of the project Dufferin Wind Power Inc. will be fully owned by China Longyuan Power Group. As Canadian citizens we would like to know how a foreign owned company can attempt to expropriate Canadian owned land. How can this be morally right? We live in a democratic country were our voices should be heard and our land protected.

Dufferin Wind Power has not approached us regarding the close proximately of this power line. We find this totally unacceptable and this has been their aggressive approach to this complete project. They don't care whatsoever about this community or residents living here and have again and again proved this with their business conduct with all of our townships and county. They refuse to bury this power line thru most of the proposed approximately 47 km even though this has been a request by the Township of Melancthon, the Township of Amaranth, Dufferin County and the Town of Shelburne. Keep in mind that all other wind projects in this area have complied with this request.

We are totally against this power line for several reasons.

- We have done extensive research on the effects of power lines and with this high voltage we are very concerned with the harm of EMF's especially when this line is above ground and close proximity to our home. As Canadian citizens we should have the right to be concerned with the health and welfare of our family.
- Dufferin Wind Power is attempting to come into a community which has already declared itself as an" Unwilling Host" to this project and is supported by the Town of

Shelburne, The Township of Amaranth, Township of Melancthon, and the County of Dufferin in whole.

- They are planning to construct this power line across prime agricultural land and land used to house farm animals, will involve clear cutting of hardwood forests, will impact wet lands and animal habitats, go thru the Town of Shelburne impacting many residents and also go very close proximately to a public school.
  Why is the company not proposing a different route that will not impact the above and not involve the expropriation of land?
- We have done additional research on the high rise of energy costs to consumers and totally believe this project is not an economical form of energy needed in Ontario.
- We have had replicable real estate agents tell us that the value of our home will decrease considerably (possibly 40%) with the visual impact of this power line and the project in general.
- Fact, Dufferin Wind Power is involved in a current REA appeal with this project; a law suit
  with a participant concerning the legality of the contract regarding the lease agreement,
  not to mention numerous other participants now concerned with their own properties,
  and clearly this expropriation attempt is yet another huge concern with this project.
- DWPI has already had an extension with the Ontario Power Authority for this project and <u>should not</u> be allowed to have an additional extension. The FIT Program clearly points out requirements and the fact that they can't meet these deadlines is a good indication that this project should not proceed.

Please do not allow this company to expropriate land from any farmer who has concerns with the process, the conduct of the company, and the protection of their own land, owned and farmed for many years in this community.

As affected property owners please prove to us that the Ontario Energy Board will be diligent in looking at the facts and deny any expropriation attempts with this project.

Sincerely,

Janice and Bruce Parrinder