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To the Ontario Energy Board,

I, Nicholas Sitter, a landowner, a taxpayer, and a native resident of Lambton County am deeply concerned about the application by Jericho Wind, Inc. dated March 18, 2014 and given the file number: EB-2014-0139. Jericho Wind, Inc. has made an incorrect assumption, in that, "...the only person directly affected by this application is Lambton County..."

Lambton County is NOT the only person affected. Every single resident of this county is also affected by the possible placement of large metallic poles along the roadside. The income and taxes derived from tourism will be unquestionably impacted as tourists seek out other routes and other destinations in order to avoid collision with these obstructions. Even the day to day business of the multitude of agricultural engineers that reside in Lambton Country will be impacted in a negative manner.

Jericho Wind, Inc. should unequivocally be denied access to the road allowances owned by Lambton County. The disruption to local communities and local economies is too much of a burden to place on small rural populations. The utilization of the road allowances will be a direct impediment of the natural conducting of business in Lambton County, and will hinder and harm the essential activity of farming.

Jericho Wind, Inc. has utilized a loophole in the law to abuse the privileges granted to those companies and corporations with the status of "distributors" within the meaning of the Electricity Act, and the Board's decisions in EB-2010-0253, EB-2013-0031 and EB-2013-0233. It is my firm opinion that Jericho Wind, Inc. has acted in an unreliable and untrustworthy manner. The law(s) that grant Jericho Wind, Inc. status as a "distributor" should be called into question immediately, and amended to prevent the further missuses of that status to mock the Board and the law which they uphold.

Jericho Wind, Inc. has also raised the statement that the Board should expedite its hearing of this application because they anticipate receiving an REA for the Project by April 2014, and that it's project schedule requires construction to commence shortly after receipt of its REA.

Anticipating approval is not the same as actually having it. As for the concern regarding the commencement of construction shortly after receipt of the REA... the timeline of their project is entirely their own responsibility to manage, and is not the responsibility of the Board to take shortcuts purely for the sake of convenience.

The placement of a transmission or distribution system along the road allowances in Lambton County will be a significant threat to moving machinery, much of which in agriculture is oversized and requires most if not all of the road allowance to move from field to field especially when faced with other traffic.

Due to the terrain in Lambton county, the drainage ditches are also an essential component not just to keeping the basements and such dry of local residences and businesses, but also to the production capacity of the fields in the entire region and timely access to those fields especially during planting and harvest season. A single ditch that is not flowing correctly can have catastrophic effects for many miles around. These road allowances need to be protected at all costs, because their importance reaches much farther than just the concerns of the County.

Nicholas Sitter

