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Ontario Energy Board  
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Attn: Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli,

**Letter of Intervention**

**RE: EB-2014-0226 – wpd Fairview Wind Incorporated (wpdFWI)**

**I hereby request, on behalf of myself and my family, the status of Intervenor, and an extension to the deadline of September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014, for our full submission documenting the nature and scope of our intended participation.**

I have received an Ontario Energy Board notice notifying me that wpd Fairview Wind Inc. has applied to the OEB to determine the location of electricity distribution facilities within road allowances owned by the Township of Clearview that, as proposed, will be located on lands adjoining our home and nursery operations at Pt Lot 24, Con. 6 E, Clearview Township.

I received the OEB notice on August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014, a mere 12 days before today's deadline for request to participate as an Intervenor.

Due to the unexpected and sudden arrival of this Notice, during a busy holiday season, I have not had sufficient time to retain a consultant in this matter before the Intervenor application deadline.

Neither wpd Canada Corp. nor wpd Fairview Wind Inc. (who have appealed to OEB for a hearing, in exactly what capacity I do not know), have notified or consulted with us regarding their intended distribution facilities until we received the OEB Notice and attached CD on August 21<sup>st</sup>.

The August 20, 2014 Notice posted on wpd Canada Corporation's website does not state any deadline for written comments; rather it only states that September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014 is the deadline for OEB to receive a request to be an intervenor.

We require more time than stated in the Notice to prepare Intervenor comments, including among other things:

- to obtain clarification from OEB on matters not addressed in the Notice.
- to access and review a complete hard copy set of documents and submit comments as intervenors, in accordance with the OEB rules.
- to obtain clarification at the next Clearview Council meeting so that appropriate direction with respect to participation in the OEB hearing can be established with Council, (in accordance with your response, dated, Aug.29, 2014 to Michael Wynia, contained in the file documents).

Furthermore, wpdFWI requested that the “OEB expedite its hearing of this Application in accordance with sections 2.10 and 7.01 of the Board’s *Rules of Practice and Procedure* because, as the sole owner of the Clearview Township Road Allowances, the Municipality is the only person or entity directly affected by this Application.”

The statement:” The Municipality of Clearview Township is the only person or entity directly affected by this application.” advanced by wpdFWI in order to get an “expedited hearing”, is **false and without merit**.

My family and our Heritage Farm community are directly affected by wpdFWI’s application for an expedited hearing.

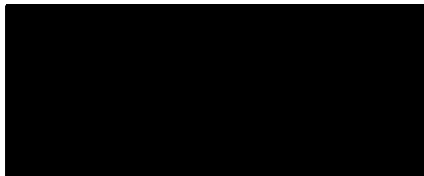
**Due to the severe negative impacts and complexity of this proposal by wpdFWI, I am requesting an oral hearing.**

At face value, it appears wpd is attempting to mislead the public, misrepresent the stage that their application is at and to be obstructive by providing information in a medium that not everyone can use, and by making it difficult for those most affected by the Project to voice their concerns and ask questions, by applying for a written hearing.

- **Mislead** – The 2<sup>nd</sup> para. of the OEB Notice states; “Because wpd Fairview Wind Incorporated and Clearview Township have not been able to reach agreement regarding the location of the distribution line, wpd Fairview Wind Incorporated is asking that the Ontario Energy Board determine the location of the line within the municipal road allowances.” In speaking directly with the Township Office I can confirm that Clearview Township has never received a detailed proposal outlining wpdFWI’s intentions.
- **Misrepresent** – The Proponent’s action in taking the matter to the OEB is premature given that their application had not completed the ERB process before John Pickernell, Board Secretary, OEB, acknowledged receipt of the application on June 24<sup>th</sup> 2014.
- **Obstruct** – In a farming community, not everyone has the access/ability to use electronic media. Also, as the Proponent knows, effective written submissions are time consuming and beyond the ability of some individuals, who may be perfectly capable of making a valuable oral submission.

I look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,



Kevin Elwood.