### ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE

Niagara Region Wind Corporation has applied to the Ontario Energy Board to determine the location of electricity distribution lines within road allowances owned by the Municipality of West Lincoln, the Municipality of Wainfleet and the Niagara Region.

#### Learn More.

Niagara Region Wind Corporation is constructing the Niagara Region Wind Farm. As part of this project, Niagara Region Wind Corporation is proposing to locate:

- 52 kilometers of distribution lines along municipal streets and highways owned by the Municipality of West Lincoln;
- 6 kilometers of distribution lines along municipal streets and highways owned by the Municipality of Wainfleet; and
- 20 kilometers of distribution lines along municipal streets and highways owned by the Niagara Region.

Niagara Region Wind Corporation says that it has not been able to reach an agreement with the municipalities or Niagara Region on the location of the distribution lines. As a result, Niagara Region Wind Corporation is asking the OEB to determine the location of the distribution lines within road allowances owned by the Municipality of West Lincoln, the Municipality of Wainfleet and the Niagara Region.

Maps showing the potentially affected road allowances are appended to this Notice.

#### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD IS HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. It will hold a public hearing to consider Niagara Region Wind Corporation's request. During this hearing, the OEB will consider evidence and arguments by Niagara Region Wind Corporation, the Municipality of West Lincoln, the Municipality of Wainfleet, Niagara Region and others whose interests would be affected.

The OEB hearing will consider specific issues determined by law. The Electricity Act, 1998 specifies that the OEB is strictly limited to determining the location of the distribution lines and related facilities within the road allowances in question. The OEB will not consider alternative locations for the distribution lines outside of the road allowances or any aspect of the Niagara Region Wind Farm in this case.

#### **BE INFORMED**

You have the right to information regarding Niagara Region Wind Corporation's application. You can read the application on the OEB's website (see below under "Learn More").

#### **HAVE YOUR SAY**

If you would be affected by the location of the proposed distribution lines within the road allowances owned by the Municipality of West Lincoln, the Municipality of Wainfleet or the Niagara Region, you may want to take a more active role in the hearing. You can:

- Send the OEB a letter with your comments within 60 calendar days from the date the notice is posted on Niagara Region Wind Corporation's website, which will be considered during the hearing; or
- Ask the OEB for permission to be an active participant in the hearing (an intervenor). Intervenors can provide evidence, argue their positions and submit relevant questions to be answered by Niagara Region Wind Corporation. (interrogatories). To be an intervenor, a party must be affected by the location of the facilities in a way that relates directly to the issues the OEB will consider. If you wish to be an intervenor, the OEB must receive your request by [insert actual date 10 calendar days from the date the notice is posted on applicant's website].

#### **LEARN MORE**

Our file number for this case is **EB-2014-0298**. To learn more about how to participate in this hearing, including how to file a letter with your comments or how to become an intervenor, go to <a href="https://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/participate">www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/participate</a>. From that OEB web page you can also enter the file number **EB-2014-0298** to see all the documents related to this case. You can also phone our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

## **ORAL AND WRITTEN HEARINGS**

There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. For this category of applications, the OEB normally proceeds by way of a written hearing. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why.

# PRIVACY

If you write a letter with your comments, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the OEB's public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, address and email address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will be public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all your information will be public.

This application was filed under section 41(9) of the *Electricity Act*, 1998 S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule A.







