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I am requesting that an oral hearing be held on Amherst Island so that the Board and the Applicant understand the reality of Amherst Island living and the high risks presented by the Windlectric Inc. application to the residents of the island.

Amherst island is so small and its heritage roads/laneways so narrow that the extended periods of construction, plus the heavy equipment and truck traffic needed for the installation of 33-37 wind turbines, a hydro substation, a cement batching plant, a maintenance building and 11 80-foot transmission poles elicit tremendous concerns about the risk of interrupting the power supply to the Island, about industrial accidents, spills, impact on groundwater and heritage building foundations as well as risks to schoolchildren.

In addition, an economic and risk analysis prepared by Dr. John Harrison shows the project proposed for Amherst Island to not be cost effective.

In October 2014, the Fraser Institute noted that adding more wind and solar power projects in Ontario is “a good deal for wind and solar producers but a raw deal for consumers.” Wind and solar provide less than 4% of Ontario’s power yet account for 20% of what Ontarians pay.

Ontario’s energy costs are a detriment to manufacturing jobs and are costing consumers more of their income. Ontario residents and businesses are paying some of the highest energy prices in North America.

It is projected that over the next twenty years, the Ontario Government is also going to be on the hook for up to \$1 billion a year as contracts that are in the approval process are brought online. That cost of up to \$20 billion dollars is on top of other costs.

To reduce rates, the province could halt all new hydroelectric, wind and solar projects and terminate, where possible, existing contracts between renewable energy companies and the Ontario Power Authority.

I would like to monitor the application.

Sincerely,
Mayo Underwood

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