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Date: December 29, 2014

To: Ontario Energy Board

Attn: Ms. K. Walli, Board Secretary

From: Lawrence Porter and Sheila Porter

Re: File EB 2014-0300

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: Windlectric Inc. Proposed Amherst Island Wind Energy Project - File EB -2014-0300 - Request for Oral Hearing and Monitor Status

We have been homeowners and part time residents of Amherst Island since 1981. We plan to move to the island full time in 2015. We strongly object to Windlectric's application (File EB - 2014-0300) which has many serious flaws.

We understand that the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will soon decide whether to hold an oral or written hearing with respect to Windlectric's application (File EB-2014-0300).

We respectfully request that the OEB hold an oral hearing into the matter and that the hearing be held in Lennox-Addington County, and preferably on Amherst Island. We also request that we be registered as monitors and given notice of future proceedings.

We submit that an oral hearing is essential so that the OEB can hear first hand from the many people who stand to be detrimentally affected by Windlectric's proposed project.

The rules of natural justice dictate that persons who stand to be affected by a decision have a right to be heard and the right to have a voice in the proceedings. We submit that an oral hearing is required with respect to Windlectric's application, so that the OEB can hear, first hand, from the people who stand to be detrimentally affected by Windlectric's proposal. We do not think that a decision based solely on written evidence will provide a fair and just result in this situation.

An oral hearing will be much more open and transparent than a written hearing. It will result in a better understanding, by all parties, of the key issues associated with Windlectric's application. An oral hearing will offer a better opportunity for dialogue; an opportunity to question; to clarify vague points; to shed light on the evidence and to resolve differences. It will result in much better decision-making than would a written hearing.

For these reasons, we request that the OEB hold an oral hearing in this matter, so that the process is open and transparent, and gives Island residents a real opportunity to be heard in matters that seriously affect them.

Please register us as monitors and provide us with notice of the proceedings.

Thank you,

Lawrence and Sheila Porter

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