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Attn: Ms. K. Walli, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli:

File No. EB-2014-0300

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Re: Windlectric Inc. Proposed Amherst Island Wind Energy Project – Rationale for an Oral Hearing. _____

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I understand that the Ontario Energy Board will soon decide whether an oral or written hearing will be held with respect to Windlectric's application (File EB-2014-0300)...the "Project".

As one of the more than 350 members of (APAI) The Association to Protect Amherst Island,

I respectfully request "the right to be heard", and monitor status , given that the proposed Project would have a devastating impact on all aspects of life in this community.

It is well recognized that an oral hearing offers a better opportunity for dialogue; an opportunity to question; to clarify vague points; to shed light on the evidence and to resolve differences. An oral rather than written hearing, to be held in Lennox-Addington will result in a better understanding by all parties of the key issues associated with this application and will result in better decision-making.

We understand that the Board is committed to reducing barriers to participation.

Holding the hearing in Lennox-Addington and preferably Amherst Island, would greatly facilitate the active participation by Islanders in the adjudication process, and could enhance the spirit of the Premier's stated belief in "conversation" to resolve conflict.

In addition, two of our members have requested an oral hearing and have self-identified as having impaired vision. We request that the Board agree to an oral hearing to enable their participation and ensure an inclusive public hearing.

I appreciate the opportunity afforded by the OEB to express our views and participate in this decision-making process.

Yours truly,
Ann Adams
Amherst Island