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To the Ohio Power Siting Board:

You may not realize it, but the people of Champaign County are just now discovering the massive, unalterable changes that are proposed by Everpower for their community. Everpower has managed to fulfill their legal requirements of public notice while creating what amounts to a stealth campaign about the facts of this project. The vast majority of the citizens of Champaign County have no idea that their neighborhoods, especially the ones along Ludlow Road, Dugan Road and the Highland Hills development are about to be overwhelmed with dozens of 492-foot towers. These turbines are nearly as tall as the tallest building in Columbus. This is a totally inappropriate use for this land, both in terms of skyline and land management itself. The 60-acre farm at 1791 Madden Road in Union Township that I own along with my family is zoned so carefully that we were told we could not even put a HOUSE on our property, yet the zoning allows for seventy 492-foot towers to be built? This does not even consider the mounting documentation that addresses the terrible health effects of placing these industrial turbines so close to people. Placing this project in Champaign County will ruin lives. It will undermine the very things about Champaign County that make it an outstanding place to live, and all for the gain of just a handful of leaseholders - approximately 49, as opposed to the 38,000 or more non-leaseholders who will have to live with these turbines in much the same way or more so than any leaseholder. This is unconscionable, to say the least.

Since the maps were published (against Everpower's wishes; they did not make the information public themselves and refused to release information to the local newspaper) detailing the noise levels (which are estimated conservatively) and locations of the proposed turbines, the general public is *just now* realizing the scope and scale of this proposal. You should prepare yourself for an onslaught of public outrage if you issue a permit for this site. Creating an industrial project this comprehensive will affect the lives of everyone around it; it seems unthinkable that the population at large has not been thoroughly informed about the facts of this case.

Your board is charged with discovering whether or not a site is appropriate for the location of an energy facility. The average conventional energy facility uses 100 acres. This project will take 9,000 acres. The massive turbines, the miles and miles of access roads and electric lines, the 9,000 acres rendered industrial (no matter what the proponents claim about agricultural

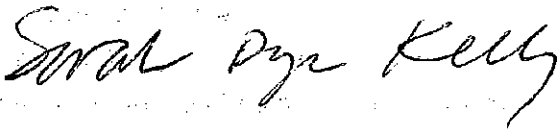
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use) – all of it merges to form a disturbing picture of a rural county with a population of nearly 40,000 that will be altered FOREVER – without the consent of the taxpayers who live here.

None of what I've written takes into account the multiple other reasons why this proposal is a bad idea. Our airport, Grimes Field, and its place at the cultural center of Champaign County, will be a casualty of Everpower if this project is allowed to proceed. This is just one of the many, many disturbing aspects of allowing these turbines to be built.

I urge you to make the right choice: don't issue the site permit for Everpower's project. Please don't sacrifice Champaign County and its citizens.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sarah Dye Kelly". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid, with the first name "Sarah" being the most prominent.

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