Public comment for 17-2295-EL-BGN

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COMMENTS: Please oppose changing the setback for wind turbines in Ohio. I encourage you to oppose SB 238 and SB 188. I also ask your assistance in any way to prevent the Republic wind farm (Docket # 17-225 FL RON) (Secretary County).

2295-EL-BGN) from coming to Seneca County.

It is my humble opinion that most of the wind turbines being proposed in Ohio are a costly ineffective source of energy and a waste of tax payer incentives. The 560 foot turbines proposed for our county (Seneca) could alter the natural flow of water due to the numerous sinkholes in our county and underground rivers. No doubt the ground will need to be blasted to secure these structures. Ground water contamination has occurred in other locations installing wind farms with a similar geology. They will strain the bat population which is already on decline. The bat which is one of the few creatures we have that take the mosquito population down naturally. It is a fact the property values decline on average for homes within the proximity of these industrial turbines. Even at the current setback the noise pollution from these turbines will be significant and audible for over a mile away. I understand that some residents have experienced health issues from the infra-sound associated with these turbines. Now to add insult it is my understanding that the wind industry is lobbying hard in Ohio to change the setback in order to allow these structures to be placed closer to homes where their ice throws, noise and flickering shadow could disrupt a residence. It would be especially unfortunate if a person with special needs, seizures or persons wearing hearing aides were in the nearby homes.

It seems unfathomable to me that in this day and age that designs of wind turbines proposed for our great state would be so hideous, harmful and noxious to nearby homes. As the technology advances in other forms of energy these industrial wind turbines will be seen in the future as a huge archaic mistake.

Sincerely, Deb Hay Bellevue OH This foregoing document was electronically filed with the Public Utilities

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