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COMMENTS: Please help us by opposing reduction of the setback for wind turbines in Ohio, SB 238 and SB 188. We are asking for your assistance in preventing the Republic Wind Farm – Docket #17-2295-EL-BGN – from coming to Seneca County.

We have zero interest in having this in such close proximity to us for a multitude of reasons. We respectfully implore you to watch as many of these links as you can.

- 1. Our property values will without a doubt suffer significantly; in some cases it's been up to 80%. We are not wealthy people so this will be devastating to us, as well as to our neighbors.
- 2. The noise and vibration and pressure changes from these will be a huge problem on many different levels. The complaints that people worldwide have been voicing make perfect physiological sense. No one who has a choice in the matter and who understands the dynamics of this project and is who is educated on the effects of this would ever ask to live near one or more of these. We have reluctantly had to do a crash course on wind turbines since this was all suddenly brought to our attention right before the holidays. How fair is that?? So, not only did we have the usual stress of the holidays with company coming, etc., but we also had to very quickly get up to speed on how this agenda would actually affect our lives.

We already have to tolerate the noise from a double train track which is located ½ mile behind us, across a field. I have to wear ear plugs and run a white noise machine to help in blocking most of that out since the trains have been running at a much greater frequency over this past year. Some nights, it has been every 5-10 minutes of blowing their horns at the 3 crossings that we are able to hear from our location.

- 3. We have a beautiful view out here in the country. The turbines will absolutely ruin this simple and peaceful pleasure for us.
- 4. The potential for shadow flickering from the combination of the sun and the blades of the turbine which can project a strobe-like effect through our windows is another big negative. As an aside, if someone were to be seizure-prone, this could trigger a seizure, not to mention that it would just be totally irritating.
- 5. The birds and bats that help keep the insect population in check will be affected. Stationary towers are one thing;

rapidly spinning wind turbines are a whole other matter as a bird would not even have a chance.

- 6. Apparently, these turbine blades can sling ice. This could be a dangerous problem, even if it is rare. Why risk it?
- 7. The bottom line is, this seems to be predominantly financially motivated to us. Pure greed and/or lack of education about the realities of this type of energy appear to be the only reason anyone would agree to allow these to be placed on their property and/or near their neighbors' homes.

The rest of us would like to have some say in the matter.

8. In conclusion, as you prepare to vote on this, please consider whether or not you and your family and friends would want this located close to your own homes.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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