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December 9, 2019

Mr. Sam Randazzo
Chairman
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 E. Broad St.
Columbus, OH 43215

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Dear Chairman Randazzo,

Thank you for your diligence regarding the Icebreaker Wind project. Icebreaker Wind is a unique wind energy project - the first offshore wind facility in the Great Lakes, the first freshwater wind farm in North America, and only the second offshore wind project in the entire U.S. Very simply, it offers Ohio the opportunity to become a national leader in this nascent industry. As long time supporters of this project, I write to you today to express to you my support of this innovative, first of its kind economic driver for Ohio and the great lakes region.

Existing manufacturers, infrastructure, and location make Lorain County a great location for the growing renewable energy market. Lorain County Community College (LCCC), Lorain County JVS, and Oberlin College offer a number of cutting edge educational and training programs for wind turbine technicians in the state of Ohio.

Companies in Lorain County such as Clyde Industrial and Avon Kaydon Corporation of Avon, Nelson Stud Welding and Elyria Foundry of Elyria, Joe Mescan Windmill of Columbia Station, and Kalt Manufacturing of North Ridgeville could all benefit greatly from this project and growth in the wind industry.

As the Mayor of Avon Lake, I support this project because of the positive impact it will have on our region. More than 500 jobs are expected to be created with an economic projection of the course of the project to be \$253 million. In addition, Icebreaker Wind will lead to a diverse clean energy supply and will give Ohio's substantial manufacturing base an opportunity to participate in a new high growth industry, with is estimated to be \$50 billion nationwide.

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By supporting this initiative, Ohio will become a leader in the Midwest for the first fresh water offshore wind project in North America. We stand behind this effort not only for the economic impact it will provide to our citizens, but for the broader impact the project will have on reducing air pollution, improving air quality, and minimizing the impact of climate change.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Greg Zilka". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "G".

Greg Zilka
Mayor

16-1871-EL-BGN

December 6, 2019

Mr. Sam Randazzo, Chairman
Ohio Power Siting Board
180 E. Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: Project Icebreaker; Case No: 16-1871-EL-BGN

Dear Chairman Randazzo,

Yesterday, December 5, 2019, a letter from **Ronn Richard, President and CEO of the Cleveland Foundation**, dated November 19, 2019, was posted to the public comment on the OPSB website for Case No. 16-1871-EL-BGN (Icebreaker/LEEDco). Mr. Richard offers the Foundation's support for the project, and restates the purported benefits of the project and the investment the Cleveland Foundation has provided over the years.

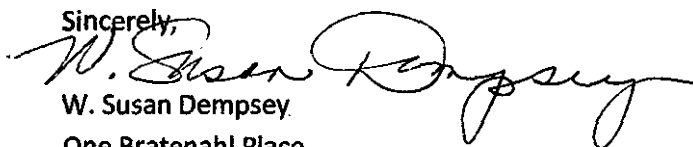
Mr. Richard did NOT mention in his letter that **The Cleveland Foundation serves on the Board of LEEDco and, as the Foundation representative, he serves as the Chairman. LEEDco (Lake Erie Energy Development) is the non-profit corporation that is the applicant on the Icebreaker project, and that holds the submerged land leases for that portion of Lake Erie for the placement of this project, as well as other project related agreements.**

While the OPSB is thoughtfully considering the entire application, and reviewing the OPSB Staff, Intervenor, Icebreaker/LEEDco, and expert witnesses' testimony and hearing briefs, it seemed inappropriate for an interested party to appeal to the governing agency and other State officials.

As an opposing intervenor to this project (Bratenahl Residents), I would not have considered personally appealing to you or other State representatives except that the letter from Mr. Richard just felt unfair to the entire process, to all of the interested parties and to the investigative proceedings that have taken place over the last years.

Thank you for the opportunity to share my perspective and for the work you and your team at the Power Siting Board do for the Great State of Ohio, and the precious natural resource of Lake Erie.

Sincerely,



W. Susan Dempsey
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CC: The Honorable Mike DeWine, Governor, State of Ohio
Mr. Jon Husted, Lieutenant Governor, State of Ohio
Ms. Laurel Dawson, Chief of Staff to the Governor of Ohio

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Elizabeth Gerstenhaber

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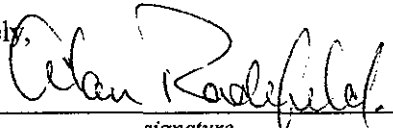
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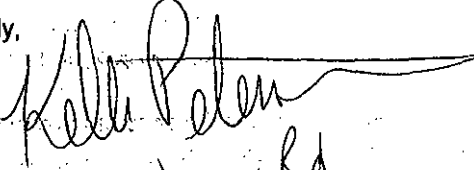
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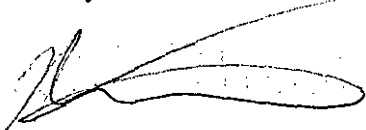
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Ulrich Hopfer, MD, Ph.D.

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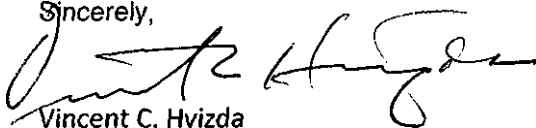
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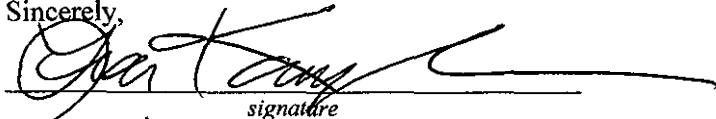
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December 6, 2019

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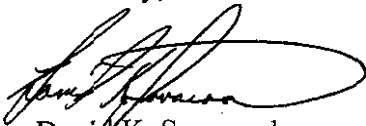
We write to convey the DKS Associates, Inc. support of this innovative, first of its kind economic driver for Ohio and the Great Lakes region. By supporting Icebreaker Wind, Ohio will secure its role as a leader in this industry with the first fresh water offshore wind project in North America.

DKS Associates, Inc. supports this project because of the diversified energy options it will create for large users such as ours. In addition, it will have a positive economic impact for the State of Ohio. More than 500 jobs are expected to be created as a result of this project, with an economic impact projection over the life of the project to be \$253 million. It will support Ohio's proud and substantial manufacturing and construction base. Furthermore, Icebreaker Wind will give Ohio supply chain companies an opportunity to participate in a new high-growth industry, which is expected to invest \$300 billion in the United States over the next decade.

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Thank you for your diligence regarding the Icebreaker Wind project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David K. Sovacool", with a large, sweeping loop at the end.

David K. Sovacool
Principal Consultant
DKS Associates, Inc.

CC: Ms. Laurel Dawson, Chief of Staff to the Governor of Ohio

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December 11, 2019

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Matt Kuhns

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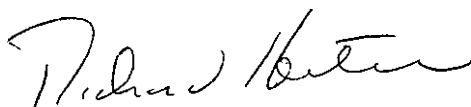
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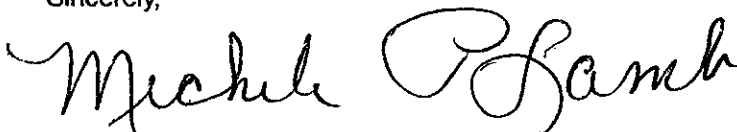
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