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Re: Black Fork Wind LLC / Wind Powered Electric Generation Facility  
Case No. 10-2865-EL-BGN

Dear Mr. Alt:

Thank you for contacting the Ohio Power Siting Board regarding Black Fork Wind LLC's proposed installation of a wind turbine electric generating facility located in Crawford and Richland Counties, Ohio. The OPSB's mission is to support sound energy policies that provide for the installation of energy and transmission infrastructure for the benefit of the Ohio citizens, while promoting the state's economic interests and protecting the environment and land use.

As a standard procedure with all siting projects, the applicant must notify the public in newspapers of general circulation that it is proposing to build a major utility facility. Therefore, on Thursday, December 16, 2010 at Shelby High School, 109 W. Smiley Avenue, Shelby, Ohio, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, Black Fork Wind LLC hosted a public informational meeting to present information concerning the project and to gather public input.

However, at this time, Black Fork Wind LLC has not filed for an application demonstrating environmental compatibility and public need with the Ohio Power Siting Board. However, should Black Fork Wind LLC apply with the Ohio Power Siting Board, our staff will begin their investigation of the application. Resulting from the investigation, staff will make in its report recommendations as to whether the proposed facility will best serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity. The applicant will again notify the public in area newspapers of a public hearing where the public is invited to attend and residents impacted by the project may give sworn testimony involving the case.

As we appreciate all input into the siting process, once an application is filed, your document will be shared with members of the Board and placed in an official docket for the case. From that time, should you wish to view activity involving the application, please visit our web site at [www.OPSB.ohio.gov](http://www.OPSB.ohio.gov).

Again, the Board thanks you for your interest.

Very truly yours,



Kim Wissman, Executive Director  
Ohio Power Siting Board

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December 15, 2010

The Ohio Power Siting Board  
180 East Broad St.  
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REF: Case: 10-2865-EL-BGN  
Black Fork Wind Energy, LLC.


Dear Ohio Siting Board Members:

This letter is to advise you, as members of the Ohio Power Siting Board, that I'm greatly concerned about the wind powered electric generating facilities proposed for Crawford and Richland Counties. I had planned to purchase property and build a summer retirement home in Crawford County this past year. However, when I found that these wind farms were proposed I have put everything on hold.

I'm not opposed to wind farms that are properly located in unpopulated areas that do not affect the environment and people that live in the area. However, I am opposed to wind farms in areas like Crawford and Richland Counties. There are many issues surrounding these wind turbines that will affect the quality of life, health, safety, property value, etc. for the people living in the area. Also, there are many miss-understood issues regarding wind turbines for this to happen. A little research would reveal that there are many serious problems with wind power and in some cases the insufficient energy production to be of any benefit. I urge you to investigate the issues surrounding the wind turbines before it becomes a reality. You should be aware of the many serious problems that the wind farms have on a community, local economy and the environment.

As a perspective property owner, there is no way I will purchase property and build a home that is within sight of the wind turbines. As members of the Ohio Power Siting Board, you could do the right thing and reject this project. In doing so, you would bring much joy to the local residents during this Holiday Season.

Sincerely,

  
William P. Alt (407-880-1285)

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