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13-0990-EL-BGN

From: PUCO ContactOPSB

Sent: Monday, June 09, 2014 3:43 PM

To: Kevin Ledet

Cc: PUCO ContactOPSB

Subject: RE: wind turbines in Huron Co. OH

Mr. Ledet,

Thank you for contacting the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) regarding the Greenwich Windpark, OPSB case number 13-0990-EL-BLN. Your comments will be docketed within the public comments on the case record.

The entire case record for this project is available online at: http://dis.puc.state.oh.us/CaseRecord.aspx?CaseNo=13-0990.

Of particular note, the <u>Staff Report of Investigation</u> for this project outlines the Staff's investigation of probable impacts and recommendation to the Board. The Staff Report includes discussion of the Windlab's studies and coordination with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources – Department of Wildlife on the issue of potential impacts to several species. Additionally, conditions 19 – 29 recommended by the OPSB Staff address the possible impacts to the ecology of the project area.

Thanks,

Steve

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From: Kevin Ledet [mailto:kaledet1@gmail.com]

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Subject: wind turbines in Huron Co. OH

The Bald Eagle is finally established in this area and there is a nesting pair located within a 2 mile radius of a purposed location for a turbine. I've seen these birds flying all over this area. It is my understanding that this wind turbine association has a pass on the destruction of endangered species such as eagles and other birds of prey. How can this be! If I would accidentally killed a bald eagle I would be fined, I suppose if I did it repeatedly, I would be imprisoned to prevent any more reoccurrences. The weapon I used would be forfeited or the structure removed. The endangered species act is for the protection of endangered animals and should not be able to be overlooked for the benefit of any one group. It doesn't matter about the argument for the greater good!

The second problem is the location of these giants. Why does it have to be in a populated area? Just because this part of Huron county is a rural area doesn't mean that people don't live here. It's not all cows and chickens here. It appears that there is an ample supply of complaints concerning the impact on people and their health. I believe that these concerns must be investigated thoroughly before a final ruling is made.

Kevin Ledet

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