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Ms. Robson,

Thank you for contacting the Ohio Power Siting Board regarding the Greenwich Windpark in case number 13-0990-EL-BGN. Your correspondence in opposition to the project will be docketed in the public comments section of the case record and made available for the Board's review prior to their decision.

This case remains pending before the Board. Before the Board makes a decision, it will consider the complete record in the case, including Windlab's application, the Staff Report, and the transcripts from the public and adjudicatory hearings. All of these materials, as well as an interactive map that indicates the location of each turbine, are available on Ohio Power Siting Board website.

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thanks,

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Greenwich Windpark LLC project - case no. 13-0990-EL-BGN

I would like to go on record as opposing the proposed **Greenwich Windpark LLC project - case no. 13-0990-EL-BGN**. I am concerned about the health issues caused by the noise and the shadow flicker but my primary issue is property values and the unsightly view. It seems only right that my concern be monetary since that is the basis of the decisions made by participating neighbors. I think it is not incidental that all of the dotted lines were signed before neighbors knew anything was happening. I also think it was unfair to the participants that they made decisions with only the information provided by the industrialists and salesmen that had the most to gain.

For 45 years my home has been on 19 acres at the edge of town surrounded by a field and a nice tree line. Thirteen years ago when my late husband and I decided to build a new home we searched the area for a lot. After seeing lots in the country without city utilities and lots in town with a backyard view of the neighboring apartments' garbage cans my husband stopped the car in front of our own side lot and said, "How about that view?" We sold the house and the 19 acres and kept a lot for our new home that enjoyed the same view we had always known. We proceeded to build a home with floor to ceiling windows across the back to get the best advantage of the countryside and wildlife. The research that I have done on wind turbines indicates that it is quite likely that the selling price of my \$225,000 home will drop drastically. It has also shown that the wildlife will diminish and be replaced with rodents. It is for certain that my new view from my own family room will be wind turbines. I have visited Van Wert, Ohio and am not impressed with that view.

Although it may seem petty to others I am concerned about my dog. Noises that I cannot hear are unbearable for him. I have had Chip for over three years and he is a one-person dog. If the noise and/or vibrations are something he cannot tolerate I will have to put him down. He is not a dog that I can give away.

The life of a wind turbine, to the best of my knowledge, caps at 20 years. Twenty years is an extremely short period of time. I have lived that three and one half times! If at the end of that period, or sooner, the income stops and the property values are at bottom, where does that leave our township, county, and schools? It seems to be a very short-sighted decision for the long haul.

People in the community treat it like the elephant in the room. Those opposed are afraid of offending those leasing land. Those leasing land must be sworn to secrecy and will not be seen where it might be discussed. Once everyone sees the reality of the construction mess, I am afraid the uncomfortable feelings will turn to conflict in the community.

If your committee can be the stopper for this project, please do just that.

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