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Rick Hodges, Director of Ohio Department of Health

246 North High Street

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Dear Director Hodges,

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I am a homeowner within the area of the proposed Greenwich Wind Park site. I am very concerned about the wind park development and its future impact on my family, neighbors, and friends.

The area of Greenwich is, as you know, a rural community. Farming and livestock production as well as hunting and fishing are integral parts of our lives and livelihoods. Research has shown that the noise and vibrations affect animals and wildlife as well as humans. Documented effects on the decreased birth rate in animals is a concern. Will it also affect humans? The research on this is unknown as this "turbine movement" is too new to reveal. Research has also shown the constant vibrations decrease the earthworm activity in the soil. Without earthworm activity our farming will be compromised. Wildlife reproduction could also be compromised from the lower birth rates. The constants vibrations that will be a part of these towers cause heightened physical stress on all creatures that are exposed to it, animal and human.

Since our community is based on farming, livestock production, and outdoor pursuits, the negative impact this wind farm could have are devastating. A wind farm project of this proposed size should not be undertaken without a THOROUGH study on the impact it could have on our community. Our community does NOT consist of merely 12-15 landowners who are willing to "host" these towers. More study and research has been given on the placement of traffic lights and water drainage in our community than has been given to the wind farm's effects on our community. "Something is wrong with this picture"! This project will affect Greenwich for at least 30 years - possibly longer.

I ask that the newly formed Energy Mandate Study Committee review these issues before this Greenwich Wind Park is allowed access to our community.

My life is in Greenwich. Those I care about are in Greenwich. The welfare of our community as a whole is very important to me because of this. If I had desired to be exposed to constant noise and turmoil, I would have lived in the city. I chose small town and country life because I wanted as peaceful, safe, and healthy environment for my family as possible. Large companies should not be allowed to prey upon

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small towns. We do not have the resources to fight them and so are destined to suffer because of them. All I can do, to help my small town's fight, is to speak out. We are not ignorant and blind just because we are 'small'. We have the "right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" just like everyone else in America. For me and others in this community, we choose to seek them in a small town and protect them as well as we can.

I know your time is very valuable because of your service to our state. There are many demands placed upon you. Thank you for taking the time to consider my thoughts and concerns about this project.

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Respectfully,

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