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Members of OPSB:

I'm writing to urge you to support the first freshwater offshore wind farm in North America.

This project will accelerate the development of a new industry in Northeast Ohio. This clean energy industry is badly needed for the environmental and economic health of our region.

The off-shore wind turbines project has researched geophysical, geotechnical, and marine archaeology effects along with the visual impact, the interaction with wild life, the engineering and construction of the project. This project will benefit our community by reducing air pollution and thereby improving the health of our community. The application should be approved.

The economic benefits of this

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project are numerous. This icebreaker project can help make Northeast Ohio the center of off-shore wind development (creating thousands of jobs and bringing billions of dollars in new investment to the region). Jobs will be created in manufacturing, engineering, operations and maintenance jobs.

This application should be approved for the benefit of Northeast Ohio. The jobs created, the protection of our environment, the health of our communities and the well being of our children and grandchildren are dependent on the development of this local, sustainable industry.

Ice breaker Wind must be the first step in the development of a) Ohio-based wind industry.

Best regards,  
Linda [Signature]