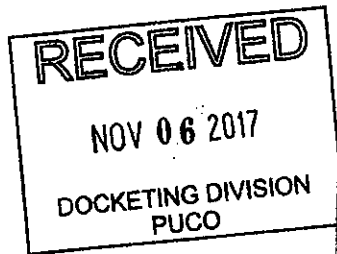


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To the Ohio Power Siting Board,

My name is Emily Poor, and I am an environmental advocate and resident of Cleveland, Ohio. I am writing in support of the Icebreaker Wind Project.

This week, I was visiting the downtown Cleveland Library to browse books in the Science and Technology section. Looking out the 6th floor window, I could see the wind turbine, creating energy at the Great Lakes Science Center. It was a friendly reminder of progress Cleveland has made to support clean energy.

I chose a book to take home with me, *The World in 2050* by Lawrence Smith. He hypothesizes how the world will be shaped by four forces: human population growth, demand for natural resources, globalization, and climate change. In this book, I am learning about what we can expect our world to look like if we continue our resource consumption, pollution, and use of fossil fuels.

2050 is also the date the Sierra Club has chosen for its *Ready for 100%* campaign: a pledge to power communities with 100% clean, renewable energy. To move closer to that goal, we must make considerable steps in both (1) reducing our consumption of fossil fuels and (2) creating sources of clean energy. New wind technology that utilizes consistent and stronger wind speeds from Lake Erie would be an excellent commitment to this plan.

In 2050, I want to see Cleveland as a community more resilient to climate change, and able to equitably provide for our citizens. The construction of the Icebreaker Wind Project is the right step in creating a clean energy economy- creating both jobs and clean energy for our community.

Emily Poor

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