

Please docket the attached files in the public comments for case number 17-2295-EL-BGN.

Thanks!

From: Dalton Carr [<mailto:dalton.carr@apexcleanenergy.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, December 19, 2017 10:09 AM
To: Butler, Matthew <matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov>
Subject: RE: Republic Wind: Public Comment Entries

Thanks for the feedback Matt –

I've attached those letters from entities addressed "to whom it may concern." Can we have these added to the public comment section of the docket?

Maybe my last question, and then I'll get out of your hair – I'm seeing a few addressed to John Arehart (our project manager), and even one resolution of support (from a school district board). **Are either of these acceptable for submission?**

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From: matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov [<mailto:matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, December 19, 2017 10:00 AM
To: Dalton Carr <dalton.carr@apexcleanenergy.com>
Subject: RE: Republic Wind: Public Comment Entries

Thanks for asking....

Addressed to the Board and including the case number is preferable, but we can generally figure out the case based on the content of the letter.

The local official letters should be fine addressed "to whom it may concern."

From: Dalton Carr [<mailto:dalton.carr@apexcleanenergy.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, December 19, 2017 9:53 AM

To: Butler, Matthew <matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov>

Subject: RE: Republic Wind: Public Comment Entries

Ah, I see – thank you for clarifying, Matt.

For my information, what your preferred method of directing each letter to the board (aside from an entity/landowner sending in the letter on their own)? To refine the question – will “to the Ohio Power Siting Board” suffice, or is it important that each entity/landowner reference the docket number?

For support letters crafted by local officials: these were written in a very open format, most directed “to whom it may concern.” Per your previous email, would these letters be out of place in our public comment section as they do not mention the OPSB directly?

Thanks for the information, Matt!

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From: matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov [<mailto:matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov>]

Sent: Monday, December 18, 2017 2:42 PM

To: Dalton Carr <dalton.carr@apexcleanenergy.com>

Cc: Bloomfield, Sally <sbloomfield@bricker.com>; Borchers, Dylan <DBorchers@bricker.com>; John Arehart III <john.arehart@apexcleanenergy.com>

Subject: RE: Republic Wind: Public Comment Entries

Hello Dalton,

I see that all of the letters are addressed to either the Seneca or Sandusky county commissioners, and on none of them is the Board copied. Additionally, comments are typically sent directly to the Board by commenters, rather than form letters forwarded to us by an applicant. I'm concerned about adding these letters in the docket under these circumstances. It would be more meaningful if individuals sent their letters to the Board themselves.

Thanks,

Matt

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Matt Butler

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From: Dalton Carr [<mailto:dalton.carr@apexcleanenergy.com>]

Sent: Monday, December 18, 2017 11:04 AM

To: Butler, Matthew <matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov>

Cc: Bloomfield, Sally <sbloomfield@bricker.com>; Borchers, Dylan <DBorchers@bricker.com>; John Arehart III <john.arehart@apexcleanenergy.com>

Subject: Republic Wind: Public Comment Entries

Hi Matt!

I'm attaching letters we collected during a meeting with landowners, and would like them to be added to the public comment section of the docket, if possible.

Separately, we have several letters crafted by local government and representatives – would the public comment section of the docket be an appropriate forum for these letters?

In addition, we have several letters from landowners directed toward local state representative Bill Reineke. Would the public comment section of the docket be an appropriate forum for these letters?

Thank you!

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November 3, 2016

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Seneca Regional Planning Commission, I would like to offer a letter of support for the Republic Wind Project and the clean, renewable energy it will produce in Seneca County, Ohio.

The purpose of Seneca Regional Planning Commission is to provide wise and prudent guidance for the planning and development of land use, infrastructure and economic growth for the benefit and general welfare of the residents of Seneca County and over the past twenty one years, we've made a lot of progress. Republic Wind represents immediate and long-term benefits for Seneca County in several of our target areas. The construction phase will create hundreds of jobs and infuse millions of dollars in investment into the county. During operations, the community will benefit from sustained tax revenue to the county for local governments and schools, plus decades of procurement, jobs, and investment. This project helps strengthen Seneca County's ever growing infrastructure.

Ohio is the leader in wind-related manufacturing, and it only makes sense that we should also be a leader in producing energy using this clean, renewable source.

We believe Republic Wind will help strengthen and diversify our local economy, providing both jobs and investment not only for the duration of construction, but well into the future.

Best regards,

Charlene J. Watkins
Executive Director

SENECA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Holly Stacy ♦ Fred Zoeller ♦ Mike Kerschner

March 15, 2016

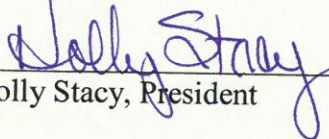
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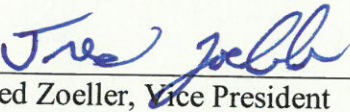
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As we look forward to the future of Seneca County, we believe Republic Wind will help strengthen and diversify our local economy.

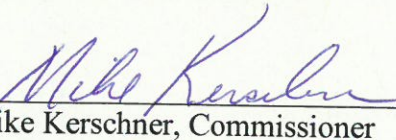
Respectfully,



Holly Stacy, President



Fred Zoeller, Vice President



Mike Kerschner, Commissioner

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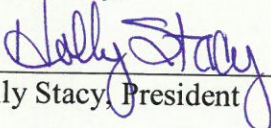
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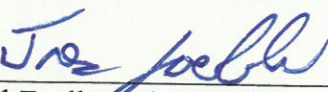
Ohio is a national leader in wind-related manufacturing and we should be a leader in wind energy generation. However, current setback requirements make it nearly impossible for projects like Republic Wind to be developed. That's why we support HB 190 and its aim to provide the opportunity to establish alternative, responsible setbacks. Without the passage of HB 190 or other reasonable changes to setback requirements, our community is at risk of losing millions of dollars in private investment and hundreds of jobs.

As we look forward to the future of Seneca County, we believe Republic Wind will help strengthen and diversify our local economy.

Respectfully,



Holly Stacy, President



Fred Zoeller, Vice President



Mike Kerschner, Commissioner

Barra
Zeller Restaurants, LLC
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Zellergabe@yahoo.com
To Whom It May Concern: September 20, 2017

On behalf of Barra, we would like to offer a letter of support for the Republic Wind project and the clean, renewable energy it will produce in Erie County, Ohio.

There are short and long-term benefits Erie County will reap from Republic Wind. Hundreds of jobs will be created. The construction will also bring money to our community by way of tax revenue for our government and schools. In addition, businesses will benefit from the jobs brought here, as more people will dine and shop locally. There is a renaissance happening in downtown Sandusky, and the clean energy produced from the Republic Wind project will enhance and strengthen this growth.

We look forward to Republic Wind contributing to the bright future of our community.

Sincerely,
Gabriel Zeller
Owner

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G Zeller', with a stylized, cursive script.

SANDUSKY COUNTY

Commissioners, **H**uman **R**esources, **R**isk **M**anagement



Board of Commissioners:

Charles Schwochow

Kay E. Reiter

Scott Miller

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Theresa Garcia

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To Whom It May Concern:

We would like to offer a letter of support for the Republic Wind project and the clean, renewable energy it will produce in Sandusky County, Ohio.

Republic Wind represents immediate and long-term benefits for Sandusky County. The construction phase will create hundreds of jobs and pump millions of dollars into the community. During operations, the community will benefit from sustained tax revenue to the county for local governments and schools, plus decades of procurement, jobs, and investment.

As we look forward to the future of Sandusky County, we believe Republic Wind will help strengthen and diversify our local economy.

Sincerely,

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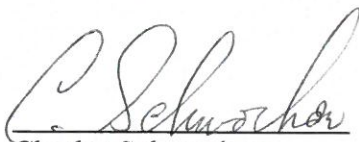
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As we look forward to the future of Sandusky County, we believe Republic Wind will help strengthen and diversify our local economy.

Sincerely,


Charles Schwochow


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April 3, 2016

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Seneca Industrial and Economic Development Corporation, I would like to offer a letter of support for the Republic Wind project and the clean, renewable energy it will produce in Seneca County, Ohio.

The purpose of SIEDC is to help create and retain jobs and investment in Tiffin and Seneca County, and over the past thirty years, we've made a lot of progress. Republic Wind represents immediate and long-term benefits for Seneca County in both of our target areas. The construction phase will create hundreds of jobs and infuse millions of dollars in investment into the county. During operations, the community will benefit from sustained tax revenue to the county for local governments and schools, plus decades of procurement, jobs, and investment.

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We believe Republic Wind will help strengthen and diversify our local economy, providing both jobs and investment not only for the duration of construction, but well into the future.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David R. Zak", with a stylized flourish at the end.

David R. Zak
President & CEO

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