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SUBJECT: Champaign County - EverPower - Wind Turbines

Please docket the attached in the case number above.

I'm writing on behalf of the families of Mechanicsburg, OH. I'm an environmental professional with over 20 years of experience with implementation and management of sustainable environmental practices. I have always taken the position that "green solutions" are the key to preserving our environment for future generations. I support green sustainable energy solutions; however, I DO NOT support the installation of windmills in residential areas. I DO NOT support Buckeye Wind I and II. This the wrong application for this green energy solution.

As I'm sure you're aware, EverPower is proposing the installation of massive wind turbines in a residential area, Cases Pending 17-2516 and 17-2517. EverPower continues to change their offering and not engage the residents of Champaign County in any decision making. This is OUR tax money they are seeking to complete their project. These turbines will negatively impact many homes in the area by exposing these households to >100 hours per year of flicker, and low frequency noise (infrasound).

There have been hundreds of studies performed that show the negative impacts of windmills on human health, wildlife, and the environment. Denmark for example, is one of the most aggressive countries in the world for wind power and has a long history using it. They require no less than 4 times the total height of a windmill to determine safe setbacks. Why do they establish these setback requirements? To ensure that they are not negatively impacting the environment, health, or lifestyles of the entire community. They INVOLVE the residents in the planning process to create a sustainable green solution. Why is EverPower so reluctant to include Champaign County residents? Why is this process so secretive?

Matt Dolan, R-Chagrin Falls is sponsoring Senate Bill 328 that would ease the restriction for potential wind development. Dolan claims that the current setback rule instituted in 2014 has made it nearly impossible for wind farm developers to operate in the state. I STRONGLY disagree with Dolan. The 2014 setback rule was created to protect ALL residents of the State of Ohio, including the farmer.

If this bill is approved it would determine setback requirements based on the height of the turbine and the length of the turbine's blades. This COULD be a good approach; however, the multiplier must be 4 times the tallest point of the windmill blade at its peak.

Another MAJOR concern is the negative impact these turbines will have on a local business, Downsize Farms. I strongly encourage you to contact this business and discuss their mission (937) 834-4277. Their programs help to train and develop people with Down Syndrome and those who are autistic. Over the past few years, headlines are full of information related to mental health. Why would the health of these individuals in these programs be ignored by EverPower? Why would the State of Ohio ignore the sensitivity of these programs for the financial benefit of a few farmers? We MJST get this right.

I'm requesting 3 things. First, please contact Downsize Farms and learn about their powerful mission. Second, reject Senate Bill 328. And most importantly, Third, REJECT Buckeye Wind I and II.

I appreciate your help and ask that you please send me a response letting me know if you are able to reject Senate Bill 328 and the Buckeye Wind I and II projects.

Jerid Shuryan

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