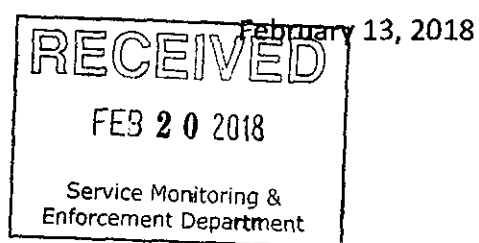


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Dear P.U.C.O. Representatives,

Please help us by opposing Ohio SB 238 and SB 188. Please do not change the setback in Ohio for the wind turbines. We are asking for your assistance in preventing the Republic Wind Farm – Docket #17-2295-EL-BGN – from coming to Seneca and Sandusky County. Only Ohio townships within a wind project area should be allowed to vote for, or against, the wind project approval, since it is their property rights that would be directly affected – not the Ohio townships outside of a particular wind project area.

We have zero interest in having this in such close proximity to us for a multitude of reasons. We implore you to watch as many of these links as you can.

1. Our property values will, without a doubt, suffer significantly; in some cases it's been up to 80%. We are not wealthy people so this will be devastating to us, as well as to our neighbors.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=utFV2ukOtU>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MVHzfUWul2Y>

2. The noise, vibration and pressure changes from these will be a huge problem on many different levels. The complaints that people worldwide have been voicing make perfect physiological sense. No one - who has a choice in the matter and who understands the dynamics of this project or who is educated on the effects of this – would ever willingly live near one or more of these.

We reluctantly had to do a crash course on wind turbines since this was all **suddenly brought to our attention right before the holidays**. How fair is that?? So, not only did we have the usual stress of the holidays with company coming, etc., but we also had to very quickly get up to speed on how this would actually affect our lives.

We already have to tolerate the noise from a double train track which is located ½ mile behind us, across a field. I have to wear ear plugs and run a white noise machine to help in blocking most of that out since the trains have been running at a much greater frequency over this past year. Some nights, it has been every 5-10 minutes of blowing their horns at the 3 crossings that we are able to hear from our location. Now, add in the wind turbine noise. And no, it's NOT a constant hum as some wind proponents would have you believe.

<http://www.windaction.org/posts/44085-the-in-uecnce-of-infrasound-noise-from-wind-turbines-on-ecg-signal-patterns-in-humans#.VpQ-SljxG8E>

Please, if you don't watch any others, at least READ THIS one!

<https://stopthesethings.com/2015/06/15/sa-farmers-paid-1-million-to-host-19-turbines-tell-senate-they-would-never-do-it-again-due-to-unbearable-sleep-destroying-noise/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XiSpToi982A>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SNxvkrGoPLo> (There are 3 separate videos in this link. All three are very informative regarding various issues.)

3. We have a beautiful view out here in the country. The turbines will absolutely ruin this simple and peaceful pleasure for us. In addition, here is an excerpt from a link regarding setbacks in Indiana (http://www.kokomotribune.com/news/miami-co-plan-commission-votes-to-review-county-wind-farm/article_e610038-e116-11e7-adf2-d358b3adf8f9.html)

"The ordinance was approved in 2011 by the commission, and requires a 1,000-foot setback from homes, a turbine blade-length setback from property lines and a 60-decibel noise limit. But Becky Mahoney, who lives in the project area and has been a vocal opponent of the wind farm, said the ordinance allowed for "trespass zoning," since landowners could not build a home within 1,000 feet of a turbine even if the tower wasn't on their property."

<http://blackoakwindfarmconcerns.com/category/videos/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SNxvkrGoPLo>

4. The potential for shadow flickering from the combination of the sun and the blades of the turbine which can project a strobe-like effect through our windows is another big negative. As an aside, if someone were to be seizure-prone, this could absolutely trigger a seizure, not to mention that it would just be totally irritating.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XiSpToi982A> (at 4:50 minutes into the video)

5. The birds and bats that help keep the insect population in check will be affected. Stationary towers are one thing; rapidly spinning wind turbines are a whole other matter as a bird would not even have a chance. See the following articles:

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/how-many-birds-do-wind-turbines-really-kill-180948154/>

<http://instituteeforenergyresearch.org/analysis/license-to-kill-wind-and-solar-decimate-birds-and-bats/>

<https://abcbirds.org/wind-energy-threatens-birds/>

<https://abcbirds.org/to-save-birds-change-rules-on-wind-turbines/>

www.audubon.org/news/will-wind-turbines-ever-be-safe-birds

6. Apparently, these turbine blades can sling ice. This could be a dangerous problem, even if it is rare. Why risk it?

<https://www.michigancapitolconfidential.com/if-neighbors-wind-turbine-flings-ice-chunks-in-your-yard-is-it-trespassing>

<https://northeastwindmills.com/local-wind-turbine-being-demolished-after-failure-and-history-of-ice-throw/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4EmYe2u6J6g>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Nws9odq7S8>

<http://xray.rutgers.edu/~matilsky/windmills/throw.html>

The bottom line is, this seems to be predominantly financially motivated to us. ***Pure greed and/or lack of education about the realities of having to live next to these turbines*** appear to be the only reason anyone would agree to allow these to be placed on their property and/or near their neighbors' homes. The rest of us would like to have some say in the matter.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=55-jBCjtJ88>

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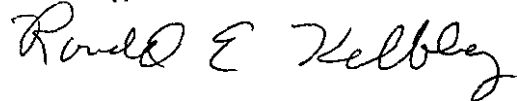
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We also understand that there could be interference with the microwave internet receptivity. We already have more problems than we want with this, but it is currently the best option we have and the turbines may only intensify the problems.

In conclusion, as you prepare to vote on this, **please consider whether or not you and your family and friends would want this located close to your own homes**, now that you have seen/read about all of the negatives. It all sounds wonderful – until it's YOUR house/property.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



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