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To: [Puco Docketing](#)
Subject: public comment 16-1871 [ref:_00Dt0GzXt._500t0FN0Z8:ref]
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Dear Director and Assistant Director,

I am writing you to encourage you to have the courage to what is right for Ohio Citizens. Please say NO via the OPSB and do not allow Icebreaker to build massive wind turbines on our precious Lake Erie.

The Icebreaker project is flawed on many levels:

First and most importantly, we don't need the power. We are blessed with abundant, low cost, natural gas – which has lowered our carbon footprint for years here in Ohio.

You need to look no further than our northern neighbors in Ontario, Canada to see a disastrous and failed wind energy policy. The cost of energy is so high, large scale manufacturing has left Ontario and left unemployment in its wake

Why and How has the leasehold of the bottom of our Lake Erie been granted to a foreign entity?

And why should this foreign entity be the recipient of OUR tax dollar subsidies? Only to create inefficient energy miles from the shoreline, when we don't need the additional power in our network.

Our Lake is a huge flyway for birds, ducks, bats, and even eagles. Wind Turbines will harm this precious ecosystem.

There has been NO Environment Impact Study commissioned by a non-vested entity. An EIS Environmental Impact Statement should be required.

The stated goal of Icebreaker and Leedco has been to put 1,250 wind turbines on the Lake. **If we don't want 1,250** – which the Public has clearly voiced when asked in these terms – **then we should not build 6!**

Do not be misled by the promise of jobs and a new industry to manufacture these turbines. This is now a mature industry, and the ship has sailed for any new entrants. Finished turbines do not create jobs. They steal them in the form of businesses vacating the area to cheap energy.

I urge you to speak with Governor Dewine and put an end to this wasteful project on our precious Lake Erie.

Thank you.

Frederick M. Hunger

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Honorable Mary Mertz, Director, Ohio Department of Natural Resources,

Congratulations! It is a pleasure to have a person of integrity to stand up for air, land and most importantly, WATER. Thank you for doing what you do.

I was also raised in Ohio, the city of Cleveland in fact, and I was taught to appreciate and care for our great Lake Erie. I believe fighting to keep it fresh and clean of wind turbines should be a priority. It is my public service to pay attention, vote and speak up for what my heart has passion.

As you know, Cleveland has been on the map for many years. At the dawn of the 20th Century, Cleveland was poised to become one of the great cities in America. Fred Olsen clearly does not understand our City. A marketing ploy is at hand to convince people Wind Turbines in our lake will put Cleveland on the map. Ten fastest-growing, high wage jobs to be created in Cleveland over the next 5 years, per Career Builder, are in the insurance, medical and technology sectors. Not managing wind turbines in the lake, which is the message Fred Olsen's backers are telling Clevelanders. (possibly 5-8 full time jobs when you read between the lines) Construction of these foreign blades and most materials do not come from Ohio. Construction jobs would be temporary. Out of state turbine experience would be brought in; hence, not many true Ohio jobs will in fact be created.

Wind turbines will ultimately ruin fresh water and leave Industrial waste behind. (As did the Rockefeller's and others) Ohio already has issues with 16 toxic sites noted by the EPA. We need to be proactive together, not reactive.

There are too many items not being proven by Fred Olsen Renewables. They have not done an Environmental Impact study; they are trying to get the OPSB to approve the project on an Environmental Assessment. They are hiding facts from the PUBLIC and asking to be approved without any methodology, to date, as to how they will identify Threatened and Endangered species over open water during pre- or post-construction operations, which is required under the Endangered Species Act.

We must take a stance for the Public Trust Doctrine that states we, the public, have the right to fish, boat, swim, recreate in Lake Erie and to enjoy protection of water quality. Where is the protection going to come from if someone in Ohio signed a Lake Erie land lease to a foreign entity unbeknown to Ohio residents? This has been kept secret and out of the papers.

The bottom line is, all over the world, and in New Jersey yesterday, Public Utilities Commission's are rejecting proposed wind farms declaring that it "fails to demonstrate a net economic benefit to the state." If only Clevelanders would do the math. This is not going to rescue us from needing energy. This type of energy doesn't add up. People need to read between the lines and be told the truth about the numbers.

I am also curious why "The compact" has not been brought up regarding this first of a kind project that would affect the Great Lakes? The Compact became state and federal law on

December 8, 2008. The compact details how the states manage the use of the [Great Lakes](#) water supply and builds on the 1985 [Great Lakes Charter](#) and its 2001 Annex. The compact is the means by which the states implement the governors' commitments under the [Great Lakes–St. Lawrence River Basin Sustainable Water Resources Agreement](#) that also includes the Premiers of [Ontario](#) and [Quebec](#). Wouldn't all Governors have to agree Icebreaker is a good idea before it gets approved for construction? It will ultimately affect all waters in some regard?

Our waters off the coast of Cleveland feeds up to 11 million people drinking water. Why in the world would any one approve to risk a rare and natural resource like this?

Thank you in advance for your thoughts on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Keleen McDevitt



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As a physician and former associate professor of medicine while in California, I have long been attuned to environmental and public health issues. I now am a lecturer on energy systems, the climate system and re-engineering the electric grid, including an occasional adjunct teaching position at Western Washington University here in Bellingham.

I am in the process of reviewing a report by our Energy Information Administration from January, which includes the simple summary statement that wind generation generated 7% of our nation's electricity in 2018. Add to that the projection that by 2020 wind should be responsible for 9% of our electricity. Growing by leaps and bounds, but not because of an environmental argument alone. Simple economics instead explain the steady demise of coal, consumption in the United States being down 5% last year and likely to drop another 8% this year. Concurrently nuclear has plateaued in spite of huge state and federal subsidies and is clearly an industry on the precipice of steep decline as well.

Time to read the handwriting on the wall. I know that our daughter and her family living in Wooster are enthusiasts as well as sharing a clear-eyed vision of the future for themselves and their children. Let's get these offshore wind turbines built in Lake Erie.

Sandy [George] Lawrence, MD, FAAFP



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Hello:

I write to encourage you to approve the agreement between Icebreak and the other parties and to issue a Certificate as soon as possible. This will be transformational for our economy and psychologically to show that Cleveland and Ohio are leading into the future.

Thank you,
Beau
325 Corning Drive
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"So teach us to number our days,
That we may gain a heart of wisdom." --Psalm 90:12

"Enseigne-nous a bien compter nos jours,
Afin que nous appliquions notre coeur a la sagesse." --Psaumes 90:12

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I strongly support LEEDCo bringing renewable energy to Ohio. I request that you approve the agreement between Icebreaker and the other parties to the case and issue a certificate as soon as possible.

Michael Salkind, Principal

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