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**Subject:** I support Emerson Creek Wind!

Dear Docket Submission Ohio Public Siting Board,

To the members of the Ohio Power Citing Board,  
As an Ohio resident, I would encourage you to approve the Emerson Creek Wind Farm (Docket No. 18-1607-EL-BGN, Emerson Creek).

The benefits of this project would offer tremendous economic support to the state and local communities, as well as, create hundreds of jobs, increase production for the Ohio manufacturing industry, and promote our country's commitment to energy security and independence.

Over the last several years, Ohio has missed out on \$4.2 billion in investment as a result of the lack of development of utility-scale wind energy that could go directly to aid local roads, schools, and hospitals. The project is set to provide \$51.3 million in landowner payments, \$54 million in school payments, \$27 million in county and township payments. As we grapple with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is critical that the state does not miss any opportunities for investment of the caliber.

For these reasons and more, I would like to implore you, the members of the OPSB, to award a permit to the Emerson Creek Wind Farm  
Although I am unable to voice my opinion in person, please take this letter as my written testimony in support of this project.

Regards,  
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