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18-1607-EL-BGN.

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Thank you,

Anne L. Fry

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Anne L. Fry

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August 28, 2020

Sam Randazzo

Chairman, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Dear Commissioner,

On August 20, 2020, one of my former students testified virtually as a member of the current and future generations of Bellevue, Ohio in support of the Emerson Creek Wind Project (case number 18-1607-EL-BGN) . I remember this gifted student, who graduated in the top 10 percent of his high school class quite fondly. He furthered his education at the University of Akron, graduating Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemical Engineering. What an exceptional man! You, however, treated him as a 12-year-old who interrupted your hearing.

In his testimony, he spoke about the benefits to the local community, as well as concerns he has about the pushback the project has seen. At the end of his testimony (seen here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dbj9R5vo89A&feature=youtu.be&t=8626>

at 2:23:46), unlike most of the other testifiers, you did not express an appreciation for his testimony, but instead, you attempted to paint him as someone who does not care about wildlife. You twisted his words and testimony to imply he does not care about bald eagles, even though his testimony and response clearly showed his care for the environment. He answered your question, and you chose to pursue the answer you desired through a remarkable level of condescension, even concluding your questioning by saying “now, that wasn’t so hard was it?”

I could not help but notice that you did not ask such “gotcha questions” or grill any of the testifiers that opposed the Emerson Creek Wind project, nor did you act so condescending or unprofessional towards them. I also could not help but notice that this was not the only proponent of the project that received such “gotcha questioning”. These actions were not appropriate to a professional adult. These actions were unprofessional, inappropriate, rude,

and serve only to intimidate proponents in this case and similar cases in the future from speaking their mind unless they are a qualified expert in every related field of the project to be able to answer any question you conceive appropriate to ask.

I observed that you did not ask any opposition members to challenge their claims or views. You did not ask opponents if they don't care that this type of income can help farmers keep farms in the family. You did not ask the opponents if they own the land they enjoy looking at. You did not ask the opponents if they don't care about tens of millions in bribes being paid by First Energy to keep coal and nuclear plants open. You did not ask the opponents if they don't care about massive tax revenues for local schools. You did not ask the opponents if they don't care about the USFWS, FAA, ODNR, and other agencies that reviewed the project. Instead, you chose to vilify my former student as not caring about bald eagles due to his support of the Emerson Creek Wind project.

Due to your conduct during this hearing I am gravely concerned about your bias in the permitting process and against wind energy in general and I am concerned your professional history representing wind energy opponents in Huron County is impacting your ability to serve impartially as the chairman of the Ohio Power Siting Board. As an appointed official you need to remember that you work for the citizens of the State of Ohio. We employ you!

Why should we have any faith in you serving impartially in regards to wind farm cases? I plan on contacting Governor DeWine and my Legislators with these concerns.

Sincerely,

Anne L. Fry

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