

Appendix B2. Public Correspondence: Emails, Letters and Communication Records AECOM

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Communication Record

Date	August 27, 2014		Time	1:30 pm
Between	Marc Rose	and		
Telephone #			Project #	60321891
Project Name	Belle River Wind Project			
Subject	Phone call from local resident			
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received a copy of the project notice and wanted to confirm the study area, as she lives on north of County Road 42. Based on a review of the study area map, we determined that she is immediately outside the project study area. She also wanted to know where the turbines would be going, and I informed her that the location of turbines is still being determined. She had no further questions.

From:

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 10:20 AM To: Pat Murray Subject: RE: Renewable Energy Project - Town of Lakeshore, Essex County

Thank-you – I appreciate your prompt assistance

From: Pat Murray [mailto:Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com] Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2014 11:55 AM To: Cc:

Subject: RE: Renewable Energy Project - Town of Lakeshore, Essex County

Hi

Our site is now displaying all current documents pertaining to the Bell River Wind project. <u>http://www.belleriverwind.com/project-documents/</u>

Thanks again for contacting us.

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From: Pat Murray Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 11:39 PM To: Cc:

Subject: RE: Renewable Energy Project - Town of Lakeshore, Essex County

Hi

Thank you for your interest in Belle River Wind. The Draft Project Description Report is attached. Thank you also, for pointing out the glitch in our website. Our web technicians have been notified and all documents, listed should be available by tomorrow afternoon.

Good evening

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From: Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 12:55 PM To: Belle River Wind Cc:

Subject: Renewable Energy Project - Town of Lakeshore, Essex County

I was looking for the draft PDR for the proposed project in Lakeshore Township (public meeting September 23) on your website but I could not locate it. Could you please email me a copy or direct me to the proper link.

Thank-you



From: Pat Murray [mailto:Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com] Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 1:23 PM To: Subject: RE: Belle River Wind Project

Dear

Thank you for your message. Although there are many factors affecting the need for new energy projects, ultimately the responsibility falls on the Government of Ontario for setting the appropriate policy on energy procurement in the short term and long term. We recommend the following link in order to gather additional information on the true impact of green energy to rate payers: <u>http://windfacts.ca/affordable-power</u> Another valuable resource is Ontario's long term energy plan, which is also available here: http://www.energy.gov.on.ca/en/ltep/

If there are any questions related to the proposed project itself, we would be pleased to provide answers, particularly as the project develops. The first open house event will be held on Tuesday, September 23rd from 5 - 8 pm at the Knights of Columbus Club located at 1303 County Road 22 RR #3 in Belle River - we look forward to seeing you there.

Best regards,

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From: Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 3:50 PM To: Belle River Wind Subject: Belle River Wind Project

Based on data provided by independent sources and Ontario Power Generation, we currently have a surplus of power generated by both nuclear and green power. This has resulted in the selling of surplus power at a loss on the open market. In addition, residential rates have climbed to near on-peak levels based on the rates being paid for green energy. As the general public has done such a good job in reducing consumption you would think rates would be reduced but not so.

We are still bearing the burden of debt reduction as unilaterally decided by the former Premier of Ontario and now pay rates exceeding the open market. In my mind, we need no more wind projects until we require the power and can afford the capital costs to build a project. Fixed income Ontarians are being squeezed out of the homes by excessively high rates for power and water and we need to realize it is not sustainable.

Providing a method to store the unneeded power is an option, however, the cost is still not justifiable. I wonder just how this project is being sold as an absolute necessity. Making money off the back of taxpayers

needs to stop. A plan to reduce our costs is more rational. Show us the money.

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Communication Record

Date	August 29, 2014		Time	4:30 pm
Between	Marc Rose	and		
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Project Name	Belle River Wind Project			
Subject	Phone call from local resident			
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received a copy of the project notice as he lives in the Cooper's Mill retirement community, which is a new development of approximately 130 units just north of the rail tracks and east of the river in Belle River. He wanted to know how close the turbines would be to his house, as he is concerned about the aesthetics of turbines and the effect on his property values. I informed him that the location of turbines is still being determined; furthermore the Ministry (MOECC) regulations prevent turbines from being any closer than 550 m away from non-participating residents and the turbines must also meet the 40 dB threshold at 6 m/s.

He is not happy about having turbines near him but did not have any further questions. I invited him to attend the open house.

From: Rose, Marc Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 5:39 PM To: C: Beth O'Brien; Pat Murray; Jody Law; zBrian Edwards; Wright, Adam Subject: RE: Sept 23/14 public meeting

Hi

Thank you for your e-mail. The September 23 meeting will be held as an open house, so there is no formal presentation. Jody, Brian, and I, along with a number of other members of the project team, will be present to discuss the display panels with you and to answer any questions you have.

I also followed up with Adam Wright and I understand that you left him a voicemail. Our team is looking to conduct a field survey of the natural heritage features on your property for the purpose of this project. The survey would be conducted on foot (no motorized vehicles would be used) and during daytime hours only. If you have any further concerns about granting our ecologists access to your property for this purpose, please let us know.

I look forward to meeting you on September 23.

Thanks, Marc

Marc Rose, MES, MCIP, RPP

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From: Sent: Monday, September 15, 2014 8:32 PM To: Belle River Wind Cc: ; Subject: Sept 23/14 public meeting

Hi Jody, Brian & Marc,

Wondering if you can explain the format of the Sept 23 meeting. I received notice of this meeting which states its from 5-8pm. I assume that this means we can come anytime and ask questions. Wondering if there will be a presentation at a specific time? I have a number of concerns with this project and would definitely like to discuss more. I receive a voice mail message today from an Adam Wright?? wanting to access our property for a possible location of a windmill.

thanks for your time



Attachments:

Belle River Wind-DraftProject Description Report_2014-08.pdf

From: Pat Murray [mailto:Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com] Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 2:09 AM To: [mailto:]; Belle River Wind Subject: RE: Please provide more information

Dear Ms.

Please see the attached Draft Project Description Report, as requested..

Thank you

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From: Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 1:05 AM To: Belle River Wind Subject: Please provide more information

Dear Sirs

Please provide me with complete information about the nature of this wind turbine factory: how many turbines, where, all the pertinent details. EVERYTHING.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

, NA-PAW, North American Platform Against Wind Power

www.na-paw.org

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:	Pat Murray <pat.murray@patternenergy.com> Thursday, September 18, 2014 11:02 AM Belle River Wind RE: Public meeting Sept 23</pat.murray@patternenergy.com>
Follow Up Flag:	Follow up
Flag Status:	Flagged

Dear Ms.

Thank you for your input we will record it for reference. While the parcel described is within the project boundaries, we are in the early stages of development so the layout and exact turbine locations are still being determined.

Please visit our website: <u>http://www.belleriverwind.com/</u> where we will be posting all documents relative to the project. We invite you to sign up to: <u>http://www.belleriverwind.com/get-connected/</u> so you will be notified when permitting documents and the project layout are ready for public review and comment

Sincerely

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From: Sent: Wednesday, September 03, 2014 11:05 AM To: Belle River Wind Subject: Public meeting Sept 23

I am a resident of Coopers Mill in Belle River and unable to attend the information meeting. I would like to know if the parcel of land which is bordered north at the tracks

and is included in this project. If this said parcel is included I am strongly against that parcel being used This is adjacent to 120 townhomes which are geared to over 50 also many more residential homes. I feel the proximity is too close to that number of homes. Our health and our residential values will be greatly affected.

If you could reply to let me know if this parcel of land is included it would be appreciated.

Thankyou



Belle River Ont.

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Saturday, September 20, 2014 12:09 PM Pat Murray Re: Wind Project

OK. Thanks for your responce.

----- Original Message -----From: Pat Murray To: Sent: Saturday, September 20, 2014 9:47 AM Subject: RE: Wind Project

Dear

Thank you for your email.

In short, the reason is because our proposed project is planned for connection to the Transmission system, whereas your solar rooftop project connects to the local distribution grid.

The distribution lines have different constraints from the Transmission system. The Transmission system also has constraints, and our proposed project has to go through a technical connection and system impact assessment.

We can go into greater detail at our open house. The first open house event will be held on Tuesday, September 23rd from 5 - 8 pm at the Knights of Columbus Club located at 1303 County Road 22 RR #3 in Belle River.

We look forward to seeing you there,

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From:

Sent: Friday, September 19, 2014 4:44 PM To: Belle River Wind Cc: Belle River Wind Subject: Wind Project

Can someone tell me why this project can go foward, when a small Farmer like me ,can:t get a roof-top solar project going? The Ontario Gov. tells me there is NO room on the grid.. I am about a second of your proposed project. I am on the hook for a lot of money.and getting nowhere. Please explain.

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Communication Record

Date	September 26, 2014		Time	4:00 pm
Between	Marc Rose	and		
	AECOM		Resident	t mber, ON, N0P 1J0)
Telephone #			Project #	60321891
Project Name	Belle River Wind Project			
Subject	Phone call from local resident			
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left a message on my voicemail expressing his strong concern regarding the turbine locations (there are several in the vicinity of his house) and what he felt was poor notification regarding the public meeting. When I phoned back, he raised these issues again and mentioned property values (he built a house 10 years ago on a 2 acre plot at the front of a farmer's field), and the visual and noise impacts from the turbines.

Regarding notification, he acknowledged receiving the envelope with the public meeting notice but did not realize that it was for a wind project. I indicated that we would design future envelopes to be clearer about the importance of opening the notice and who the notice was from.

also raised the impacts of the project on migratory birds. He referenced the Jack Miner Migratory Bird sanctuary (which is in Kingsville) and indicated that he had a permitted bird sanctuary on his property. He was concerned that geese and other birds would be driven away by the turbines, as he believes has happened with the existing wind projects in the area.

indicated that he would likely seek to retain legal counsel to oppose this project and asked how he can oppose it. I explained the ERT process to

At the end of the call, he thanked me for phoning him back.

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Thursday, October 02, 2014 1:07 PM Pat Murray RE: First Public Meeting

Received with thanks.

From: Pat Murray [mailto:Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com] Sent: October-02-14 12:45 PM To:

Cc: Belle River Wind Subject: RE: First Public Meeting

Hi

Our apologies for the delayed response. The information presented at the First Public Meeting for the Belle River Wind project can be found on our website under "Project Documents" and linked her for your convenience. <u>http://www.belleriverwind.com/files/9514/1226/6170/Belle_River_Wind_Project_-</u> Public_Meeting__1_Display_Panels_9.23.2014.pdf

While visiting the website, please consider signing up to our "Get Connected" page, <u>http://www.belleriverwind.com/get-connected/</u> to receive project updates.

Thank you

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From: Sent: Thursday, October 02, 2014 10:22 AM To: Belle River Wind Subject: FW: First Public Meeting

May I please hear from you?

From:

Sent: September-24-14 6:02 AM To: 'info@belleriverwind.com' Subject: First Public Meeting

Good Morning,

I was unable to attend the meeting last evening.

Could you please send me the information which was presented/disseminated.

Thank you,



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Subject:

FW: Belle River Wind Project

From: Jody Law [mailto:jody.law@patternenergy.com] Sent: Monday, January 19, 2015 2:19 PM To: Cc: Van der Woerd, Mark Subject: RE: Belle River Wind Project

Hi

Thanks for your email and interest in our project.

At this time, we do not intend to run our transmission line down County Rd 31 north of 401. However, as we are still early in our development, this can change if our preferred route(s) prove impossible or unfeasible for construction. Having said this, we do want to avoid County Rd 31 north of the 401 as much as possible.

Hope that helps, Jody

From: Sent: Sunday, January 18, 2015 11:02 AM To: Jody Law Subject: Belle River Wind Project

Good Morning Jody,

I received your email address from the contact information in the "Draft Project Description Report" for the Belle River Wind Project.

I have been anxiously awaiting the next update for the project and I'm hoping that you could help me since we are in the 1st quarter of 2015.

My husband and I are interested in purchasing property on County Rd 31, just North of Highway 401. However, we have put our offer on hold since we were informed that the transmission lines may be running down County Rd 31 to the new sub station. I completely understand that a report has not been made public, but are you able to confirm that this information is/isn't accurate?

Any assistance you could provide would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



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Communication Record

Date	February 11, 2015		Time	10:24 am
Between	Jody Law	and		
	SP Belle River Wind LP		Resident	t
Telephone #			Project #	60321891
Project Name	Belle River Wind Project			
Subject	Phone call from local resident			
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called her back to discuss. It is not yet determined but will be made public in about two months, followed by another open house and opportunity to comment.

Jody indicated that we will consider her comments as we finalize the layout.



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Communication Record

Date	March 10, 2015			
Between	Jody Law	and		
	SP Belle River Wind LP		Residen	t
Telephone #			Project #	60321891
Project Name	Belle River Wind Project			
Subject	Phone call from local resident			
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phoned in response to the letter of Notice of Draft Site Plan for the Project she received in the mail, specifically regarding the map. Jody Law called back to discuss the map with her. Her concern about the map related to confusion over the intersection of roads. The point she had issue with was thinking the intersection was a turbine, but it was a road intersection. Jody explained this to her.

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Communication Record

Date	March 11, 2015		Time	9:15 am
Between	Marc Rose	and		
	AECOM		Residen	t
Telephone #			Project #	60321891
Project Name	Belle River Wind Project			
Subject	Phone call from local resident			
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phoned in response to the draft site plan and expressed his concern about increasing electricity rates, and about the number of turbines in the area. I explained to him that the FIT prices had been reduced considerably in response to concerns about increasing electricity rates, and that the increase in rates is the result of a number of factors, including upgrades and improvements to various energy infrastructure.

thanked me for the call.

From: Pat Murray [mailto:Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com] Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2015 12:05 PM To: Cc: Van der Woerd, Mark Subject: RE: Belle River Wind - larger map with street names

Hi

Thank you for contacting Belle River Wind. The map you would find most useful is in the Draft Site Plan Report, Figure 2.1 and found on our website, <u>www.belleriverwind.ca</u>. I have provided a <u>link to the map</u> for your convenience.

While visiting our website, please sign up to "<u>Get Connected</u>". We will upload all documents there as the project progresses.

Thanks

Cc: Mark Van der Woerd for file

Pat Murray Community Relations



From: Sent: Monday, March 09, 2015 5:07 PM To: Belle River Wind Subject:

Where can I find a larger map with street names on it for the proposed Lakeshore area?

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Communication Record

Date	March 18, 2015			
Between	Brian Edwards	and		
	Samsung Renewable Energy		Residen	t
Telephone #			Project #	60321891
Project Name	Belle River Wind Project			
Subject	Phone call from local resident			
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Brian Edwards phoned **Constant of the second second**

Ketchabaw, Megan

From: Sent: To: Subject: Pat Murray <Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com> March-18-15 11:21 AM Grieve, Becky; Rose, Marc; Van der Woerd, Mark; Wong Ken, Michelle; Wright, Adam FW: wind turbines lots 7 & 8?

See below

Pat Murray Community Relations



From: Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2015 10:20 AM To: Belle River Wind Subject: wind turbines lots 7 & 8?

To Whom It May Concern,

I have been away for the past couple of months but I recently had the occasion to examine the Notice of Draft Site Plan which was recently distributed.

According to this draft site plan it would appear that the two turbines intended to be erected on and farm on Lots and (bordered by Myers Rd. and the Belle River Rd. and just south of Hwy. 42) either had been mistakenly omitted or withdrawn.

As a matter of interest, if it has been indeed decided to no longer erect these turbines at this time on this property, I'd be interested to know what factors have led to this decision.

Is there any possibility of reinstatement or is this decision final?

Thank you for your kind attention in this matter. Hoping to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

until March 28th.

Sent from Windows Mail

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From: Pat Murray [mailto:Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com] Sent: Monday, March 23, 2015 8:59 AM

To:

Subject: RE: Wind

Hi

Thank you for contacting the Belle River Wind Project team. We acknowledge your concerns about property values. As you know, there are a wide variety of factors that influence property values. In the case of wind turbines, numerous studies have demonstrated that proximity to a wind farm does not have a negative impact on property values. These studies include:

- Vyn, R., and McCullough, R. (September 2014). The Effects of Wind Turbines on Property Values in Ontário: Does Public Perception Match Empirical Evidence? Canadian Journal of Agricultural Economics:
- Ontario: Does Public Perception Match Empirical Evidence? Canadian Journal of Agricultural Economics. Pages 365-392.
 MPAC News Summer 2012 (http://www.mpac.ca/pdf/MPACNewsSummer2012.pdf) which notes that property values have continued to increase in Ontario in many areas where wind projects either exist or are proposed for development. In the County of Huron, for example, residential property values increased by an average of approximately 14.8% since 2008; farmland has increased by approximately 65.3% since 2008.
 Canning, G., and L.J. Simmons. (February 2010). Wind Energy Study Effect of Real Estate Values in the Municipality of Chatham-Kent. Canning Consultants Inc. & Prepared for the Canadian Wind Energy
- Association.
- Hoen, B., Wiser, R., Cappers, P., Thayer, M., and G. Sethi. (December 2009). The Impact of Wind Power Projects on Residential Property Values in the United States: A Multi- Hedonic Analysis. Ernest Orlando Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. Prepared for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

Thank you

Pat Murray **Community Relations** 5873 Seventh Line W Merlin, Ontario N0P 1W0



-----Original Message-----From: Sent: Friday, March 06, 2015 1:11 PM To: Belle River Wind Subject: Wind

Hi, I live on county road , east of what I can see on your map of the wind turbines, two in particular, are behind my property, (to be) and are close enough to the town of St.Joachim. Will you guarantee, that the property value of my home, will not decrease. After all, the only people that want wind turbines in this area, is our government, Samsung, and the farmers that are making huge profits from these. Thank you,,,,resident of St. Joachim

Sent from my iPad

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Pat Murray <Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com> Monday, March 23, 2015 9:43 AM

RE: notice of draft plan

Hi

Thank you for contacting the Belle River Wind Project team. Up to 50 turbines and associated infrastructure are being assessed for the Project. However, if approved, up to 44 turbines will be constructed, depending on the nominal rating of each turbine (or the amount of power generated by each turbine). Each "x" on the map represents a proposed turbine.

Visual effects are ultimately dependent on the perception of residents and visitors to the presence of turbines. The Project is committed to an overall net benefit to the community and province through community involvement, providing increases the municipal property tax base and increasing Ontario's renewable energy supply.

Thanks

Pat Murray Community Relations



From: Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2015 10:43 AM To: Belle River Wind Subject: notice of draft plan

Just received in the mail the info on the draft site plan. No where on this paper does it list or mention the number of windmills.

It mentions the capabilities of up to 100 MW. Most residents just want to know...How many more of these "eyesores" will we be subjected to seeing day and night.

You are probably not a country resident but you should sit out at night after the stars come out and look south towards the existing windmills and see a sea of flashing red lights going systematically

pulsing on and off. It is not a pleasing or calming sight!

Under the legend there is "turbine location". Would this be the specifics regarding total number of windmills. (just add up the x's?)

thankyou for your info

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Pat Murray <Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com> Monday, March 23, 2015 9:14 AM

RE: Belle River Wind comments

Hi

Thank you for contacting the Belle River Wind Project team.

Through the Green Energy Act, Ontario has made a commitment to diversify its electricity generation, removing the need to rely on any single source. Energy from nuclear, wind, solar and hydro power are all a part of Ontario's energy future. Wind power can complement the provincial base load generation and create a more stable and reliable electrical grid. Wind power is intended to be part of the long-term energy supply plan for the province of Ontario, which accounts for forecasted supply and demand in the years to come. To review the Government of Ontario's Long-Term Energy Plan, please visit the Ontario Ministry of Energy's website: http://www.energy.gov.on.ca/en/.

The cost of new energy generation, such as wind, cannot be directly compared to existing generation, such as coal and hydro, as capital costs of existing facilities were financed and accounted for years ago. Further, due to historical subsidization, the cost of generating and delivering electricity to consumers was much lower. However, government agencies are in the process of adjusting the fee structure to more accurately reflect the true cost of energy production.

The true cost of generation for each energy technology varies greatly and cannot be compared to one another on a single price. The cost of generating wind power once turbines are installed will remain steady for decades as the fuel – wind – is free. Alternatively, regulations to make polluters pay for their emissions will mean that the cost of power from fossil fuels will continue to rise, on top of normal market fluctuations.

Once complete, the Belle River Wind Project is expected to produce clean and renewable energy equal to the electricity needs of more than 50,000 Ontario homes and generate approximately \$290,000 annually for the Town of Lakeshore, Essex County and local schools, in addition to creating lasting benefits through a Community Benefits Program.

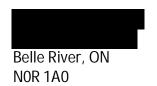
Belle River Wind will contribute to economic development in the Lakeshore region, including the creation of jobs, the strong capital infusion from tax and royalty payments, and the economic ripple effect resulting from the Project.

Thanks

Pat Murray Community Relations



From: Sent: Thursday, March 05, 2015 5:48 PM Hello, I am a resident of Lakeshore and received your mail today. I want to start off by saying this project is a terrible idea. This was purposed by the lying Liberal Party. This entire idea has already been proven to be a complete waste of money, as wind power is far more expensive to produce then what it generates, hence the reason why all of Europe has abandoned all their wind programs. We are selling our power to the USA for a net loss, what other business would thrive with no profits? Why are we continuing to expand this project? Are you trying to bankrupt our province? Please stop this project immediately. Tax money can be spent elsewhere and be far more useful. These Liberal projects are single handily ruining Ontario and creating more and more debt!



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From:	Pat Murray <pat.murray@patternenergy.com></pat.murray@patternenergy.com>
Sent:	Monday, March 23, 2015 9:11 AM
То:	
Subject:	RE: height of towers in Belle River Wind Project

Thank you for contacting the Belle River Wind Project team.

The height of the turbine nacelle, which encompasses the generator, is 99.5 metres above grade and the highest point of the blade is 154.5 metres above grade.

thanks

Pat Murray Community Relations



From: Sent: Saturday, March 07, 2015 9:51 AM To: Belle River Wind Subject: height of towers in Belle River Wind Project

Please advise height above grade of turbine generators and distance from highest point of blade rotation to grade.

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Pat Murray <Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com> Monday, March 23, 2015 9:39 AM

RE: Turbines

Hi

Thank you for contacting the Belle River Wind Project team. We acknowledge your concerns about property values. As you know, there are a wide variety of factors that influence property values. In the case of wind turbines, numerous studies have demonstrated that proximity to a wind farm does not have a negative impact on property values. These studies include:

- Vyn, R., and McCullough, R. (September 2014). The Effects of Wind Turbines on Property Values in Ontario: Does Public Perception Match Empirical Evidence? Canadian Journal of Agricultural Economics: Pages 365-392.
- MPAC News Summer 2012 (http://www.mpac.ca/pdf/MPACNewsSummer2012.pdf) which notes that
 property values have continued to increase in Ontario in many areas where wind projects either exist or
 are proposed for development. In the County of Huron, for example, residential property values
 increased by an average of approximately 14.8% since 2008; farmland has increased by approximately
 65.3% since 2008.
- Canning, G., and L.J. Simmons. (February 2010). Wind Energy Study Effect of Real Estate Values in the Municipality of Chatham-Kent. Canning Consultants Inc. & Prepared for the Canadian Wind Energy Association.
- Hoen, B., Wiser, R., Cappers, P., Thayer, M., and G. Sethi. (December 2009). The Impact of Wind Power Projects on Residential Property Values in the United States: A Multi- Hedonic Analysis. Ernest Orlando Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. Prepared for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

Regarding noise, the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) has established guidelines to protect public health and safety which prescribe setback distances and permissible sound levels near receptors. The Project will be designed to be in compliance with noise requirements of Ontario Regulation (O. Reg.) 359/09 which requires a minimum setback distance of 550 metres between a turbine and a non-participating landowner's residence with background sound levels not exceeding 40 decibels at wind speeds of 6 metres per second.

In terms of potential effects on wildlife, the Natural Heritage Assessment was submitted for review to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF). The Natural Heritage Assessment identifies potential impacts and recommends appropriate mitigation measures to avoid potential significant or long-term effects on wildlife and their habitat. Natural heritage requirements described in Sections 23 through 28 of O. Reg. 359/09 were followed when preparing the Natural Heritage Assessment and the subsequent environmental effects monitoring plan. Information on wildlife and their habitat was obtained through field studies as well as interviews with agencies and environmental organizations.

Vibration from the Project will only be limited to construction activities which will be short-term and localized. Therefore, no long-term potential effects are anticipated.

Following the anticipated 20 year operational phase of the Project, the Project's lifespan may be extended or it may be decommissioned depending on an economic evaluation at the time. If Belle River Wind makes the decision to decommission the Project, lands will be restored so that pre-existing land use (i.e., agriculture) can continue. Decommissioning will involve removing the wind turbine structures to the base of the foundation and

excavating and backfilling the area with subsoil and topsoil. Any financial burden associated with the decommissioning of turbines is the sole responsibility of Belle River Wind.

Once complete, the Belle River Wind Project is expected to produce clean and renewable energy equal to the electricity needs of more than 50,000 Ontario homes and generate approximately \$290,000 annually for the Town of Lakeshore, Essex County and local schools, in addition to creating lasting benefits through a Community Benefits Program.

Thanks

Pat Murray Community Relations



From:

Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2015 8:26 PM To: Belle River Wind Subject: Turbines

I disagree with the plan to put wind turbines around the Belle River area. I think the township is taking dollars today but decreasing our future.

The wind turbines are unsightly, decrease property values and cause noise pollution (even a small amount of noise is more than we need). Belle River Wind says they have done studies on the effect of wildlife but I don't think they have been around long enough to have conclusive determinations. The turbine itself would act like an earth quake. Even the worms would move away from the constant turbulence and then the farm field around the turbine would become barren. How far would that extend?

At a meeting at the Knights of Columbus I asked how long they are supposed to last and was told 15 years. I asked what would happen then and they said they would have to be refurbished or dismantled. They indicated that the unit itself would have enough recyclable components to pay for its disassembly. That does not take all the cement out of the farm field. It then lead to the question - "Would Belle River Wind be responsible to do the dismantling or refurbishing?" and they replied they would if they were still in operation.

The first wind turbines were put in the English channel but those have not yet reached their end of term. It has not yet been determined it they will be kept operational or if they will be dismantled.

It seems that Belle River Wind was incorporated to make quick easy money from the government but that there is no guarantee that they will be in business to support their constructions and ensure that the towers were built strong enough and safe enough to even last 15 years.

The financial numbers quoted at the public meeting indicate that the government is investing a large amount of our tax dollars on this project with little to NO foreseeable return on that investment.

Please don't help them throw away more of our tax dollars.

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Communication Record

Date	March 27, 2015		Time	1:51 pm
Between	Marc Rose	and		
	AECOM		Resident	t
Telephone #			Project #	60321891
Project Name	Belle River Wind Project			
Subject	Phone call from local resident			
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Comments

indicating there would be a meeting on March 20, 2015 at the Atlas Tube Centre that he knew nothing about. He was upset because he thought he received the letter late.

Marc Rose spoke to him and let him know that the meeting was May 20, 2015 (not March 20) and to follow up with Jody Law and Brian Edwards regarding whether he would have a turbine on his property.

From: Pat Murray [mailto:Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com] Sent: Monday, March 30, 2015 11:18 AM To: Subject: RE:

Hi

Thank you for your interest in the Belle River Wind project. The draft project site plan is available for view via the following website link: <u>http://www.belleriverwind.com/project-documents/</u>. We will be hosting our second public meeting on Wednesday May 20, 2015 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Atlas Tube Centre, Renaud Room, 4477 Renaud Line Road in Belle River. At that time you will be able to review the draft project layout and speak to the Belle River Wind team. Please sign up on the project website to stay informed of project news including the final layout: <u>http://www.belleriverwind.com/get-connected/</u>..

thanks

Pat Murray Community Relations



From: Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2014 6:17 PM To: Belle River Wind Subject:

Dear all,

The key question we have is where are the Turbines currently approved to be built, not where they are allowed to be built but which locations are 100% confirmed and deals done with land owners.

Also, where do we find out which locations are in the process of being confirmed?

Thank you in advance,

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Subject	Phone call				
Project Name	Belle River Wind Project				
Telephone #			Project #	60321891	
Between	Marc Rose, AECOM	and			
Date	March 30, 2015		Time	9:30 am	

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I phoned **back** after she left a voicemail on my office phone and cell phone. She is very angry about the project and is concerned primarily with increasing hydro rates and the impact of this and other wind projects on her rates. She believes these projects are unnecessary as Ontario is selling surplus power to the US.

lives on **procession** (at **procession**), and is also concerned about the number of turbines that are proposed south of Highway 42. She does not want to see more turbine lighting and feels that the turbines are too close to her house. She has lived in the area her entire life (**procession**) is named after her family, which owned **procession** for many years) and feels that the area has changed too dramatically.

promised to show up at the public meeting in May and be very vocal about her displeasure for the project. I told her that I would be pleased to answer any questions she may have in advance of the meeting.

Ketchabaw, Megan

From:
Sent:
To:
Subject:

Pat Murray <Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com> May-11-15 2:23 PM

FW: Notice of Draft Site Plan for Belle River Wind Project

Hi

Thank you for contacting the Belle River Wind Project team. We acknowledge your concerns with regards to health. Many studies have been conducted world-wide to examine the relationship between wind turbines and possible human health effects. Overall, health and medical agencies agree that when sited properly, wind turbines are not causally related to adverse health effects. Some examples of such reports include: Chatham-Kent Public Health Unit, 2008; Australian Government, National Health and Medical Research Council, 2010; Australian Government, 2011; Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) and Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH), 2012. Most recently, Health Canada published a study on November 6, 2014 that determined noise from wind turbines did not have any measurable effect on illness and chronic disease, stress, quality of sleep or overall quality of life. The findings from the Health Canada study and field research are consistent with a recent report commissioned through the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) which provides one of the most comprehensive and multidisciplinary reviews of the scientific literature on wind turbines and human health to date. The MIT paper, entitled "Wind Turbines and Health: A Critical Review of the Scientific Literature" concludes that the levels of infrasound at customary setback distances are typically below audibility, there is no clear or consistent association between noise and health, infrasound and low frequency sound do not present health risks, and noise plays a minor role in comparison with other factors in leading people to report annovance.

Belle River Wind is committed to an overall net benefit to the community and province through community involvement, providing increases the municipal property tax base and increasing Ontario's renewable energy supply.

At the Regular Council Meeting on May 13, 2014, the Town of Lakeshore passed a resolution supporting the construction and operation of the Belle River Wind Project.

We will be hosting our second public meeting on Wednesday May 20, 2015 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Atlas Tube Centre, Renaud Room, 447 Renaud Line Road in Belle River. At that time you will be able to review the draft project layout and speak to the Belle River Wind team. Please sign up on the project website to stay informed of project news including the final layout: <u>http://www.belleriverwind.com/get-connected/</u>.

thanks

Pat Murray Community Relations



From: Sent: Saturday, March 14, 2015 10:17 AM To: Rose, Marc Cc: Van der Woerd, Mark; Subject: Re. Notice of Draft Site Plan for Belle River Wind Project

Thank you for including me on this email. As always we disagree with the increase of any additional wind turbines. We have them surrounding our home and continue to experience negative side effects. My family has been part of a health study where they continue to monitor the side effects.

These wind turbines should be installed in rural areas where there are no homes not in Essex County. We also feel they are visual pollution and continue to voice our concerns, however, it seems these wind turbines companies only care about the financial benefits and not the impact of

the residents who reside around them. It is also my understanding that council does not support any increase in wind turbines as they are representing the tax payers.

please reconsider your decision to move forward with this plan. It only benefits those who are impacted financially. Sincerely

----- Original Message -----From: Rose, Marc Cc: Van der Woerd, Mark Sent: Friday, March 13, 2015 3:10 PM Subject: Notice of Draft Site Plan for Belle River Wind Project

Good afternoon,

You are receiving this email because you requested that we provide you with public notifications for the Belle River Wind Project ("the Project") via email at the first public open house.

Last week, a public notice was distributed regarding the **Draft Site Plan and Noise Impact Assessment** for the Belle River Wind Project. To review a copy of the notice, please use the following link: http://belleriverwind.com/files/8614/2586/6419/Public_Notice_- http://belleriverwind.com/files/8614/2586/6419/Public_Notice_- http://belleriverwind.com/files/8614/2586/6419/Public_Notice_ http://belleriverwind.com/files/8614/2586/6419/Public_Notice_ <a href="http://belleriverwind.

The Draft Site Plan has been prepared to identify and describe the location of key Project components, including wind turbines and the collector substation. The Noise Impact Assessment has been prepared to demonstrate that the placement of turbines and the collector substation complies with the MOECC's 2008 publication entitled "Noise Guidelines for Wind Farms".

Copies of the Draft Site Plan and Noise Impact Assessment were made available for public review starting on March 9, 2015, at the Town of Lakeshore Municipal Office (419 Notre Dame Street, Belle River), County of Essex Municipal Office (360 Fairview Avenue West, Essex) and the Lakeshore Branch of the Essex County Library System (447 Renaud Line Road, Belle River). The report is also available for public review online at: <u>www.belleriverwind.com</u>.

If you wish to be removed from the project contact list, please click the following link.

Sincerely,

Marc Rose, Consultant Project Manager On behalf of the Belle River Wind Project Team

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Ketchabaw, Megan

Subject:

FW: Belle River Wind Project - Nameplate Capacity

From: Van der Woerd, Mark Sent: Monday, May 11, 2015 3:53 PM To: Cc: Jody Law Subject: Belle River Wind Project - Nameplate Capacity

Hi

I am emailing to respond to your email that was sent to Jody Law about the Belle River Wind Project (the "Project"). To confirm, the proposed nameplate capacity for the project is 100 MW.

Thank you for your interest in the Project.

Kind regards, Mark

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Ketchabaw, Megan

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Follow Up Flag: Flag Status: October-01-14 2:02 AM Belle River Wind Belle River Wind Farm

Follow up Flagged

Hi,

I am a research analyst working in the Power division of GlobalData, a premium business and market research firm based out of UK.

I came across few news articles which says Belle River Wind Farm capacity is of 150 MW and other says it as 100 MW.

http://www.belleriverwind.com/files/2214/0873/3131/BEL_Factsheet_new_2014-08_v10-no_print_notes.pdf

http://www.renewablesbiz.com/article/14/09/samsung-and-pattern-development-sign-20-year-ppa-100-mw-wind-projectontario

Let me know the exact capacity of the wind farm?

Is there any extension for the project??

Associate Analyst Alternative Energy

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Pat Murray <Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com> Tuesday, May 12, 2015 10:32 AM

Wong Ken, Michelle; Van der Woerd, Mark RE: Location

Hi

Thank you for your interest in Belle River Wind. The proposed nameplate capacity for the project is 100 megawatts. Currently, we are planning to permit 50 wind turbines within the Project Study Area, with an estimated 44 turbines being constructed. The proposed turbine layout is found in the Figure 2-1 of the Draft Site Plan. I have provided a link <u>here</u> for your convenience. While you are visiting the website, please sign up on our <u>Get Connected</u> page to receive project updates.

We will be hosting our second public meeting on Wednesday May 20, 2015 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Atlas Tube Centre, Renaud Room, 447 Renaud Line Road in Belle River. At that time you will be able to review the draft project layout and speak to the Belle River Wind team.

Pat Murray Community Relations

-----Original Message-----From: Sent: Monday, August 25, 2014 7:02 PM To: Belle River Wind Subject: Location

Where exactly are the 60 wind turbines proposed to go according to the map? Thanks

Sent from my iPad By

From:	Pat Murray <pat.murray@patternenergy.com></pat.murray@patternenergy.com>
Sent:	Wednesday, May 13, 2015 12:42 PM
То:	
Cc:	Van der Woerd, Mark; Wong Ken, Michelle
Subject:	RE: comments from public meeting Sept 23

Hi

Thank you for your interest in the Belle River Wind Project. We are always encouraged and happy to hear from supportive folks in the community.

We acknowledge your comment on the format of the Public Meeting; however, an open house format was selected because it allows attendees to process Project information at their own pace. This format also provides opportunities for one-on-one conversations with members of the Project team.

Throughout the Renewable Energy Approval process for the Belle River Wind Project, the public were able to provide their input at the first Public Meeting and by submitting their questions and comments to the Project team by email, regular mail or telephone call. The second Public Meeting that will be held on May 20, 2015 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Atlas Tube Centre, Renaud Room, 447 Renaud Line Road in Belle River.

The Consultation Report that will be submitted as part of the Renewable Energy Approval application will contain the feedback we have received from the public and how those questions and comments have been considered during the planning of the Project.

We look forward to seeing you again at the second Public Meeting on May 20, 2015.

Pat Murray Community Relations



From:

Sent: Wednesday, September 24, 2014 8:46 PM To: Belle River Wind Subject: comments from public meeting Sept 23

see attached comments .. sorry for the poor writing ... I type better than I write. If you need clarification re; any comments, please email me at

I am a supporter of wind turbines, but am alone amongst most my friends here. One comment I heard from many was that they feel these meetings are a joke as they in effect, have little chance of making any impact on your plans. Plans are in the works and their opinions will have little effect. As mentioned in my notes, a better forum would have been your expert panel at the front answering questions ... the meeting format used on the 23rd was not favourable to getting questions answered to the benefit of the whole crowd... everyone's questions were pretty much the same so why not have a panel discussion so everyone could hear the same

answers. Your people circulating could not answer a number of the questions put to them but an expert panel should have been able to convey a sense of expertise.



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Communication Record

Date	May 13, 2015		Time	12:51 pm
Between	Pat Murray	and		
	SP Belle River Wind LP		Resident	t
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called the Project team on October 2, 2014 to ask about the location of the turbines in relation to his house. Pat Murray left a message for Mr. **The second** public meeting being held on May 20, 2015.

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Pat Murray <Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com> Wednesday, May 13, 2015 12:40 PM

Van der Woerd, Mark; Wong Ken, Michelle RE: 75 wind turbines

Hi

Thank you for your interest in the Belle River Wind Project.

Belle River Wind is proposing to build 44 wind turbines with an installed capacity up to 100 MW.

With regards to your point that the construction of the turbines will increase hydro rates, a study conducted by Tim Weis and P.J. Partington titled "Behind the Switch: Pricing Ontario Electricity Options" (2011) indicates that the Green Energy Act has little or no impact to Ontario ratepayers. The reasons behind this conclusion were that currently planned renewable resources would have to be replaced with other options which would likely work out to be more polluting, less sustainable and in the long-term more expensive. Another important point raised in this study is the increased cost of continuing to use coal plants, notably the health care system. Further discussion about this study with Julia Kilpatrick (2011) as well as a link to the study itself is available at: www.pembina.org/blog/556.

The MOECC has established guidelines to protect public health and safety which prescribe setback distances and permissible sound levels near receptors. The Project will be designed to be in compliance with noise requirements of Ontario Regulation 359/09. The regulation requires a minimum setback distance of 550 metres between a turbine and a non-participating landowner's residence with background sound levels not exceeding 40 decibels at the residence at wind speeds of 6 metres per second.

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Pat Murray Community Relations 5873 Seventh Line W Merlin, Ontario NOP 1W0 www.belleriverwind.ca

-----Original Message-----From: Sent: Monday, September 22, 2014 9:57 PM To: Belle River Wind Subject: 75 wind turbines

Sept 22, 2014

To whom it may concern,

I am opposed to the construction of the 75 wind turbines in the town of lakeshore. We have enough wind turbines as it is in our area.

The cost of construction for these turbines will eventually rise our hydro bills, as it is already happening with those that are already built. It will be unaffordable to have hydro and will cause undue hardship for retirees and the general public.

Also, the building of these turbines close to residential homes, the swooshing sounds that is emitted affects the people living near to them.

I absolutely do not want any additional wind turbines in our area.

A concerned resident,

Stoney Point, ON NOR 1N0

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Belle River Wind Project

From: Pat Murray [mailto:Pat.Murray@patternenergy.com] Sent: Monday, May 25, 2015 9:20 AM To: Cc: Van der Woerd, Mark Subject: RE: Belle River Wind Project

Hi

Thank you for contacting the Belle River Wind Project team.

Through the Green Energy Act, Ontario has made a commitment to diversify its electricity generation. Energy from nuclear, wind, solar and hydro power are all a part of Ontario's energy future. Wind power can complement the provincial base load generation and create a more stable and reliable electrical grid. Wind power is intended to be part of the long-term energy supply plan for the province of Ontario, which accounts for forecasted supply and demand in the years to come. To review the Government of Ontario's Long-Term Energy Plan, please visit the Ontario Ministry of Energy's website: http://www.energy.gov.on.ca/en/.

The Town of Lakeshore Council has provided two resolutions endorsing the Project. These resolutions were made prior to the December 9, 2014 resolution to pass a moratorium on wind turbines. The December 9, 2014 resolution states that the moratorium will be on wind turbine projects that are not already supported by Council. As the planning process continues, Belle River Wind will continue to consult with both the Town of Lakeshore and County of Essex.

Sincerely,

Pat Murray Community Relations



From:

Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2015 10:06 AM To: Belle River Wind Cc: jeff.watson@parl.gc.ca Subject: Belle River Wind Project

Jody Law, Brian Edwards, and Marc Rose,

Although I was unable to attend the scheduled public meeting held last night, I would like it to be known that I am totally against the completion of this project. I am a long time resident of Woodslee and am currently surrounded by wind turbines. The negative effects of these turbines are too multiple to list here and I am astounded by the number of turbines that are projected to be placed within the Belle River Wind

Project. I cannot believe the government and the surrounding residents would allow this continue, what happened to the moratorium on wind turbines??

Sincerely,

Subject:

Help locating information

From: Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2015 9:19 PM To: Moddle, Phil Subject: Help locating information

Hello sir,

My name is **Sector**. I am a resident of Belle River and am hoping you might be able to help me locate some information associated with your company. Golder Associates was asked to do an assessment for Belle River Wind for the turbines going up in the area. As a citizen interested in the project in my neighbourhood, I was directed to Belle River Wind's website where I was able to read information related to the project. Golder Associates produced some maps of the areas for the report. They have been placed into the documents online but I was hoping to obtain a hardcopy of some of these maps. Would you be able to direct me to the people who may be able to help me in my request? The maps online are survey maps.

Any help would be greatly appreciated.

I look forward to hearing from you,

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