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PETITION



To the Legislative Assembly of Ontario:

WHEREAS the Environmental Protection Act Section 145.6(2) allows for an appeal of a Tribunal decision to the Minister (MECP) and the Minister may confirm, alter or revoke the decision of the ERT as to the matter in appeal, as the Minister considers “**in the public interest**”,

WHEREAS the approval of Nation Rise Wind generation project is not in the public interest, as it does not take into consideration the welfare of the general public in which society has a stake and which warrants recognition, promotion & protection by the government and its agencies, nor do the expected gains outweigh the potential costs or losses of the approval,

WHEREAS the potential electricity generated is not required and will contribute to increased electricity costs for all Ontario users for the next 20 years,

WHEREAS resident complaints in existing wind projects from noise/vibration have not been resolved, and the project proposes to continue to use outdated 2008 wind turbine noise guidelines in spite of standards revised in 2013, to protect human health,

WHEREAS the project is planned in a rural-residential area underlain by Glaciomarine sediments known as quick clays or Leda clays, and the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) was issued, before detailed geotechnical risk assessments were completed,

WHEREAS the project is planned in an area designated as a “highly vulnerable aquifer” and an accurate count of existing water wells and therefore the potential for contamination of all water wells was not captured before the REA was issued,

WHEREAS it cannot be stated categorically that this wind turbine project will not result in negative impacts to the environment, the economy or to human health,

WHEREAS the 2 requirements for the project to proceed: 1st the Renewable Energy Approval, was issued 2 business days before the writ was drawn, and the 2nd requirement, the Key Development Milestones, were confirmed on June 13th, during the “caretaker period” of government, when the issuance should have been restricted because it would “limit or impair the decision-making freedom of a future government”.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, PETITION THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO AS FOLLOWS:

To support revoking the Tribunal decision and the Renewable Energy Approval for Nation Rise Wind Farm.

Printed NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE

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