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Henry County Commissioners

RE: Wind Ordinances

Dear Commissioners

I am a property owner within Henry and Greensboro townships. I own 88 acres and am life trustee of an additional 300 acres. I would like to voice two main concerns I have of the proposed wind ordinances.

First, I feel that non-participating property owner's rights are being overlooked. I feel that the setback for any Industrial Wind Turbine should be off of property line and not from foundation of residential dwellings. I feel that allowing setbacks cross property lines trespasses upon my rights as a landowner. I feel that this could lead to future restrictions upon my land for future plans or development. I also feel that any future development restrictions will lower the value of my property substantially. I believe in private property rights and feel that this is infringing upon my own rights as a landowner to benefit another. I will not benefit from any adjoining neighbors wind turbines, but they will benefit from crossing my property lines. Please require setbacks to be **only** from property lines.

Second, is the decommission of industrial turbines in the future. If and when the turbines need to be removed I do not think the taxpayers of this county should be burdened by any of these expenses. I feel that the participating landowner and the wind companies should be required to handle all expenses related to demolishing. I feel that parties financially benefitting from wind turbines should be required to carry a bond or insurance for such actions. If the wind companies go bankrupt then the bond would cover expenses. If not, the participating landowner should carry responsibility not the taxpayers.

In closing I hope the commissioners will carefully consider the rights of the non-participating landowners and add these measures to also protect our private property rights. I would like to see that investments we have made in our own property are protected. Additionally, I hope that the taxpayers of this county will be protected.

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