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Planning Commission & County Commissioners:

New health & safety information is coming out almost daily about wind farms. Wind farms should be in the wide open spaces and not in southern Lancaster County where there is a high population and there are many acreages and small farms.

Indiana is beginning to rewrite their zoning for wind farms--some reducing decibels to 35. The World Health Organization (WHO) recommends that nighttime sound levels should be less than 30 decibels in order to protect children's health.

The town of Catlin, New York, has banned wind towers. Research showed that at a setback of 1/2 mile, 44% of the population would be highly annoyed. At a mile, only 4% of the people would be annoyed. Many residents living within 1000 feet of a wind tower experienced major sleep disruption plus other health problems.

Three upstate New York counties (Lewis, Clinton and Franklin) said that decreasing the distance from the nearest turbine to one mile results in a decline in price of 7.3% to 14.87% for property sales. It can range even higher, with some properties unsellable.

Brown County Wisconsin board voted, unanimously, that the "Shirley" wind turbines were a health hazard.

The medical association of Germany has called for a halt to new wind farms. They need to know more about infrasound and low-frequency sound from scientific research. German doctors are facing mounting legal liability if they continue to ignore known and obvious adverse health effects of turbines. The liability of hundreds of millions of dollars damages to victims has the German government & others on their toes, including Denmark, where it has called a complete halt on new wind farms.

The wind industry has been fully aware of the adverse impacts of wind farms for 30 years, but cover it up by deliberately excluding all reference to it.

The only proven safety measure of a wind farm is a safe setback. At least 26 jurisdictions scattered around the U.S. and Canada have adopted setbacks from 2500 ft. to 7920 ft. because of health concerns.

Volkswind wants to put a wind farm in southern Lancaster County. Volkswind's parent company in Germany says there should be a 3280 ft. setback, but Volkswind U.S. wants a 1000 ft. setback for Lancaster County! Are we of less value than the people of Germany?....or what is going on?

There are many examples of the health hazards of an improperly sited wind farm. I hope you take this in consideration and not allow a wind farm in southern Lancaster County...or at least

make the setbacks a mile or a mile and a half from non-participating property lines.

Sincerely,

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