



Stakeholder Workshop on OPSB Wind Rules

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I am Jason Dagger Ohio Project Manager for EverPower Wind Holdings . I am here today to give comment regarding the rule making process. Over the course of the last 8 years, we have presented three projects to the Ohio Power Siting Board for review and certification. These applications contain thousands of pages of specific scientific data as well as CDs that contain additional supporting data such as, shadow flicker and noise modeling raw data. In order to produce an application as detailed and comprehensive as is required by current (and past) OPSB rules, it is essential that developers work tirelessly with community leaders, residents and businesses. While it is true that we can't satisfy everyone on every issue, it cannot be said that there is a lack of information or lack of scrutiny placed on our projects. EverPower has developed projects in over a dozen states, and the process in Ohio is among the most comprehensive and most transparent of any other jurisdiction we have experienced.

The point of this is to show that we submit a great amount of detail and peer reviewed science in these applications. Most of the comments related to part (c) to (p) claim that the current process or the information required in the current process is somehow deficient or incomplete. We just don't think there is a case for that implied deficiency and strongly encourage the Board to keep the rules as adopted, except in a couple places that would require impractical and unnecessary consideration of small gas distribution lines.

We appreciate the comments of Dan Litchfield from Iberdrola. The Board should know that Iberdrola is not unique in its approach to project development and operations. Developer/operators survive based on their relationship with communities and landowners. Without good, positive experiences with the communities in which we operate, we have cannot survive as a business or an industry. That is why, like Iberdrola and like other developers in Ohio, we have worked to include the community and to get interested parties all the information they may need to understand the projects and their potential impacts (both positive and negative).

Beyond the application we respond to numerous data requests from staff as well as the intervening public. Evidentiary hearings were held where additional information and even experts are offered to answer question about studies and analysis presented in the applications

Some interested parties would like to change this process and require additional data from applicants. The process has worked and continues to work.



Specifically we believe the board and its staff have access to all relevant and necessary information in regard to project applications

We are a member of MAREC and support their detailed comments.

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