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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Linda L. Roberts
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Connecticut Siting Council
10 Franklin Square
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Re: Comments on Proposed Regulations Relating to Wind Turbines

Dear Ms. Roberts:

I am writing this letter in support of the proposed wind regulations of the Connecticut Siting Council (the "Council") pursuant to Public Act 11-245. As the Council is aware, I abut the 4.8 MW wind project known as Colebrook South that was approved by the Council in June 2011. Although I expressed concerns with the Council in that proceeding, I believe that overall it was a fair process that allowed all participants including myself an opportunity to be heard and express concerns with the proposed wind project. It also allowed the developer to address many of the concerns that were expressed and improve the proposed project.

I do support renewable energy and believe that Connecticut needs to encourage more sustainable energy projects such as Colebrook South. The proposed wind regulations are reasonable and require that the Council carefully consider the potential effects of a proposed wind project on neighbors including setbacks, shadow flicker, sound, ice throw and decommissioning. The regulations also require a public hearing and allow neighbors and members of the community an opportunity to actively participate in the proceeding. I believe the proposed wind regulations are appropriate and will allow wind projects to be developed in the state in a responsible manner while also protecting the public.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Robin Dziedzic-Hirtle