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Subject: Collaboration of neighbors concerns
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Chairperson Fred Meyers & Board Members,

The following 64 bullets are a joint collaboration created by concerned property owners on our hill, both Oneida & Lincoln, along with some input from neighboring towns. We're trying to help save some time at the next Public Hearing by furnishing our questions/concerns ahead of time. This will allow for others to speak that weren't able to participate in this document. We expect answers to our questions and concerns, since not one of them, has yet to be addressed.

- all TEN of the bordering property owners have signed paperwork opposing the variance of this wind turbine (which were not notified by Certified Mail, plus they excluded 2 neighbors, who's names were not on outdated plans) If all are opposed, why is this variance even being considered?
- was the board notified and was there a public hearing held, for the construction of the approximate 150 ft Meteorological Evaluation Tower (MET) that is up there now? None of the abutting property owners ever got a notification.
- if I can see this 150 ft MET from my abutting property, on Brewer Rd, can you imagine looking at a 560 ft Wind Turbine in its place?
- the United States Air Force test site has a large drone facility that will be impacted by the turbine, but they were NOT notified by New Leaf. (The Air Force has since sent their concerns to the Board)
- although New Leaf's application indicates a single Turbine to be construction, the paperwork submitted to the board, indicate 3 wind turbines are indeed planned for that site, which will have a significant change to all of their calculations submitted
- where is the follow up aerological study, from the FAA letter dated Sept 8, 2022, New Leaf submitted to the board? That letter clearly indicates 3 turbines and only referenced the Hamilton Airport, why wasn't the AF Radar Base included?
- has the Geological Study been received? Only see the desk top study on record.
- why wasn't the local Indian Nation notified about the possibility of artifact and sacred ground? (Proof of both exist and have been confirmed and submitted to the board)
- who is the name of the "sponsor"? Will the sponsor name change as the project develops? Where is it written to protect us the property owners, whenever this name changes?

- when company changes name or ownership, who's responsible for unforeseen damage to our properties?
- what's the term "good-faith" mean?
- what is the relationship between New Leaf and Apex?
- what are the back grounds of each board member and their experience in industrial development? If they are going to be making decisions on a development of this magnitude they should have a back ground in industrial renewable energy or at the least, real-estate construction in general blasting core drilling and the impacts to the geological area
- biggest concern is the change to our hill when they start blasting into the fractured rock creating all kinds of unknown problems
- dynamite or drilling will both change the structure below ground
- radon issues
- septic issues
- known history up here of collapsed wells from blasting along with dry wells
- two wells went dry on Crescent Ave when blasting for ATT tower
- we want guarantees for everyone on this hill, that our wells and our water supply will not be affected in any way, not only for a couple of months (as stated) but after installation and turbine is up running.... to make sure vibration has no negative effects. Our wells are all fed from the underground springs
- New Leaf's submitted paperwork which only covers 20 wells within 3000 ft radius. I believe at the 1st meeting they increased that to 4000. Where is this change documented in writing?
- change of water run off- need hydraulic study to determine what the impact of run off- surface and sub surface!
- water run off due to culverts indicated on plans. Deverts water straight down properties already having issues with water run off, during January thaw and Spring rains
- the water run off from the proposed site has both a negative, physical and environmental impact on the surrounding properties.
- construction concerns; noise, dust, road damage, overall disturbance to our tranquil hill during construction is unacceptable!

- we pay higher taxes with less benefits
- turbines are known for catching on fire, more than the industry records. How will our homes and farms be protected on all sides of the hill (with no hydrants) and high wind conditions?
- city fire Marshall and 911 coordinator need to come up with an emergency fire plan for fire protection for the turbine
- Turbines are prone to getting struck by lightning causing arcing, how will the fire department assure us that our properties will be protected. Where will the water be supplied from?
- infrasound and audible sound
- flickering created by the wind turbine blades. the 24/7 non-stop flashing RED light that will disrupt people's sleeps, as most of the surrounding bedrooms face the top of hill
- turbines are a major trigger for people who suffer from migraines due to the constant blocking and unblocking of the sun, thus creating a "flicker effect"
- there are children with autism that live near the proposed wind turbine, studies show the sound from a wind turbine would negatively impact their well-being (over stimulation)
- possible oil and pesticides leaking into our water table feeding our wells
- decrease in property values (documented)
- concerns about icing on blades, blades flying off, turbine collapsing, fire, oil leaks
- bordering properties limited to what they could build on their land (boundaries setback) Who's responsibility would it be, for damages caused by Turbine to new homes built closer to property lines, that New Leaf didn't take into consideration while doing their measurements? (especially with 3 turbines they have plans for up there)
- our areas Bald Eagles, have a flight path over our hill. Proof in photos have previously been submitted
- the noise generated by wind turbines can disturb the communication and behavior of some animals, including bats, birds and whales. The construction of turbines can fragment habitats and disrupt migration patterns
- the potential for turbines to adversely affect wildlife both directly, via collision, as well as indirectly due to noise pollution, habitat loss and reduced survival or reproduction

- the installation of a wind turbine will have an adverse effect on the environmental conditions in the neighborhood. The wind turbine will be a death trap for our flying wildlife. The noise pollution caused by the turbine will impact all animals in the neighborhood. Many of our neighbors have personal animals and many rely on animals for their livelihood- including farms and a dog boarding facility
- hill is too residential
- negative impact of passing the variance out weigh the benefits of surrounding neighbors
- will company be able to guarantee the removal of snow, to have access to monitor Turbine at any given time, especially emergencies?
- there are 10 farms with a variety of animals, and a boarding/training kennel, studies show the noise/vibrations from a wind turbine can affect animals negatively. (Veterinarian letter submitted)
- there are multiple cell towers, 911 towers, and radio towers that would be impacted by the turbine
- Wind Turbines can potentially disrupt electromagnetic signals using telecommunications, navigation and radar services
- Turbine failures are inevitable. Failures are far more common than the wind industry admits. Where are the guarantees of it being decommissioned by future owners? (Known fact is, they just walk away)
- the applicant does not live in the neighborhood, nor City. The passing of the variance would negatively impact the individuals and properties that do reside in the neighborhood, while the property owner will collect royalties without any of the disturbance his neighbors will endure
- there are definitely more properties that will be negatively impacted by this variance than the ten properties that received a correspondence from New Leaf, all property owners on this hill should have been notified!
- the rapidly spinning blades of turbine have an effect on their surroundings, and it goes beyond aesthetics. The blades can produce a weak but distinctive noise heard by both humans animals, as well as disruptions to air pressure
- locals who live by existing turbines, report the constant noise is over bearing, saying they can't enjoy being outside periods of time
- they can also cause signal degradation and reflections (ghosting) to television reception, broadcast radio, wireless Internet, cable headends and even radar can be impacted by the presence of turbines

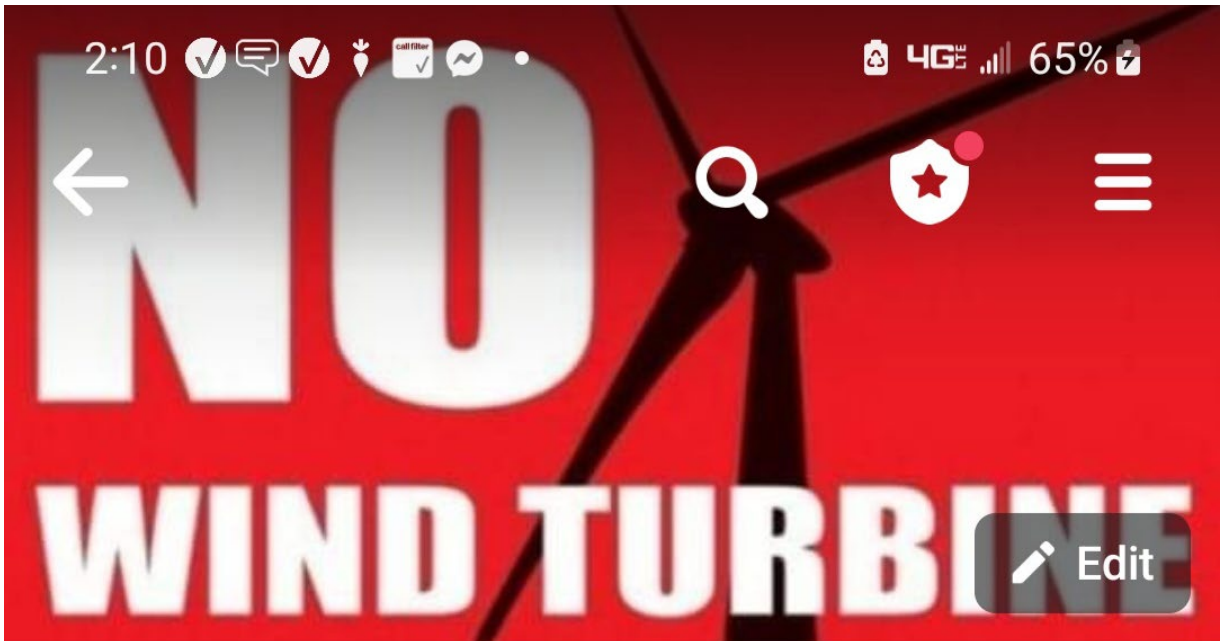
- We want the peace & tranquility! We did not spend thousands of dollars building our dream home up here, in the sounds of nature, only to have it disrupted by the loud noise of a Wind Turbine
- the installation of a wind turbine will have an adverse effect and impact on the physical and environmental conditions in the neighborhood
- Families who live on the hill rely on their wells for water. When/if they blast/drill for the installation of the base of the turbine, our wells could collapse. While New Leaf has promised to repair any damage, what about the damage it will cause our children who will have to be uprooted and live in different housing while we wait for them to make our homes livable again?
- or farms where animals can not be moved to temporary barns. Water is a necessity for farmers, with 10 farms on the hill
- In February 2016, a 113 ft blade fell off of a wind turbine that had already toppled once off of Bellinger Rd. In the town of Fenner. (think that turbine was only 200 feet high. Can only imagine size of blades on proposed turbine and proximity to surrounding properties and livestock)
- July 2019, the Munnsville Wind Farm had their turbines turned off for almost a year as they were waiting for a part that needed to be manufactured in Germany. (This has to happen across the country. We just aren't hearing about it because it goes against the green agenda)
- why choose a hill with many homes surrounding it, vs the many hills with less population. The homeowners need to have a say, as to what is sharing our hill, especially when there is no value to us but a negative impact
- name one thing the people on the hill, will benefit from, if passed? And don't say a discounted rate in electricity, no one cares about that, if we lose our peace and quiet
- it's the unknown! There are no studies done to prove this size turbine is safe to humans & animals, in such close proximity of homes & farms. Is the board willing to risk our homes and health?
- we've had enough of all these delays (8 months)
- over 198 signatures opposing this project has been submitted for the record

Thank you to each of you on the board, for your time considering our concerns and hopefully vote against this project!

Respectfully submitted by the members of the "Oneida Neighbors Against Wind Turbine"~

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