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On June 12th Freedom will vote on a repeal of their recently adopted Commercial and Industrial Review Ordinances. If the Ordinances are repealed CES's proposed Beaver Ridge Wind project will go forward. Some residents are understandably concerned that repeal of the Ordinances would leave the abutters "unprotected" should a problem develop. CES has committed to building the very same project that was proposed, extensively reviewed, and ultimately approved by the Town Planning Board if the Ordinances are repealed. This commitment includes using turbines with the same or lower maximum sound output, meeting the same setbacks to residences and property lines, and complying with every single one of the items listed in Article 8 Section 5 of the Ordinances titled "Wind Energy Facility Siting And Construction".

Despite this commitment to build the project exactly as proposed, CES understands that residents have legitimate additional concerns regarding operation of the wind project without Ordinances in place. CES proposes a three part plan to help protect abutters.

1). CES would install equipment in turbine that will slow rotation of the blades and thereby reduce sound output if turbine sound emissions exceed their rated dba. The rotation would be slowed to the point at which the turbine sound output matched the rated value that was evaluated in the sound study conducted on our project by Anthony Rodgers of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

2) CES would appoint a resident of Freedom to act as a community liaison. This person would be available to hear complaints, visit any resident that has made a complaint and will communicate directly with the owners of CES. CES will hold regular meetings with the community liaison as a way to help keep on top of any issues and fix them before they become problems.

3) CES would establish an additional 24 hour a day 7 day a week call in number for complaints.

CES is committed to making the Beaver Ridge Project work for Freedom. In addition to stimulating the Freedom economy, providing local tax relief, benefiting the environment and national security, the Beaver Ridge Wind Project needs to preserve the quality of life that Freedom residents enjoy today.