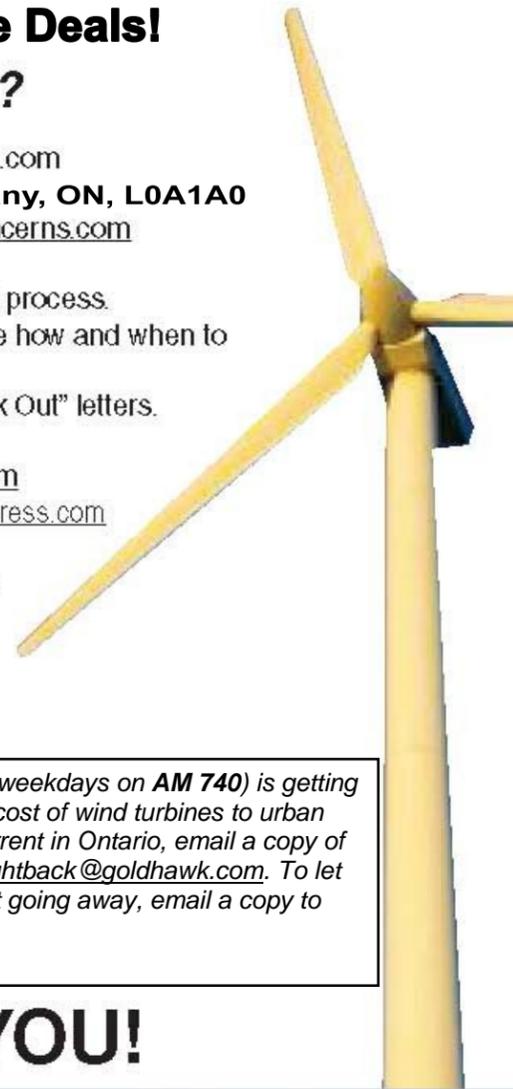


**The Pontypool and Bethany Wind Projects  
Have Not Been Approved!  
These are not Done Deals!  
How Can You Help?**

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 mail to: **PO Box 203 Bethany, ON, L0A1A0**  
 or visit: [www.manverswindconcerns.com](http://www.manverswindconcerns.com)

- **Donate** - to support our appeal process.
- **Volunteer** - sign up and choose how and when to help at our upcoming events.
- **Send us copies** of your "Speak Out" letters.
- **Keep Informed** -  
[www.manverswindconcerns.com](http://www.manverswindconcerns.com)  
[www.windconcernsontario.wordpress.com](http://www.windconcernsontario.wordpress.com)  
[www.windvigilance.com](http://www.windvigilance.com)
- **Attend Information Meetings** and Ask Questions.
- **Support our Campaign** by participating in upcoming events.

**Dale Goldhawk** (11:00am-1:00pm weekdays on **AM 740**) is getting the message out on the health and cost of wind turbines to urban listeners. To help keep this topic current in Ontario, email a copy of your "Speak Out" letter to Dale at [fightback@goldhawk.com](mailto:fightback@goldhawk.com). To let your MP and MPP know you are not going away, email a copy to them as well.



**WE NEED YOU!**

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Helping our citizens protect their health, homes and farms, the environment, and the Oak Ridges Moraine by preventing irresponsible Industrial Wind Turbine Development

Watch for the next issue of  
**Turbine Talk**  
 focusing on the  
**Real Cost of Wind  
 Turbines.**

**Over 1000 Notices of  
 Objections and they  
 just keep rolling in!**

Larger setback for Industrial Wind Turbines does not mean you are not "Green"!

If you're concerned about your health, property values, local economy or the environment, you are not alone. Well over one thousand people in Manvers have had their say, and you can too.

Fill out your *Notice of Objection* in Bethany at Gourley's Automotive or Heaven on Seven, and in Pontypool at the Foodmart.

To fill out a *Notice of Objection*, you must be of legal voting age (19) and from the Manvers area.

**Where is the Logic?**

Our provincial government is back peddling. First they cancelled the Oakville Gas Power Plant because of community safety concerns. Next they increased offshore wind turbine development from 2km to 5km, again due to safety. Now they are not sure offshore is safe at all, and have scrapped all further projects. Why are we letting them install wind turbines in our community at only 550 metres from our homes and schools?

**SAY "NO" TO  
 550 METRE  
 SETBACKS!**



**MANVERS FIGHTS BACK!**

Welcome to **Manvers Wind Concerns - Kawartha**. Our mission is to oppose unsafe Industrial Wind Turbine (IWT) installation in our community. We are affiliated with ever growing groups of like minded Ontarians. We are not opposed to green energy. Many of our members are environmentalist and conservationists.

IWTs are not windmills. IWT developments are not benign "farms" or "parks". These turbines are 40 stories high. Health is a primary concern. IWTs make people ill and they have an adverse effect on livestock and wildlife. One does not need to live right next to an IWT to be affected. Low frequency sound, causing insidious health problems, has been detected as far away as 10 km. Health concerns exist wherever IWTs are located, throughout rural Canada and other countries.

In an ambitious pursuit of green energy and job creation, our provincial government has determined that 550 metres is an appropriate setback from our homes. They choose to ignore the countless cases where IWTs are making people sick. Sleeping disorders, hearing problems, blood pressure, migraine and a host of associated health effects are reported. Families are forced from their homes by loud cyclical noise, pounding inaudible infrasound, and the rotating blade shadow flicker. This government will not provide independent third party studies on the health risks associated with IWTs. It uses the information given to it by the lobby organization for IWT development. One only needs to ask: If there are no health concerns then why are other countries increasing set backs?

An "Elephant in the room" is an English idiom for obvious truth that is ignored or goes unaddressed. It is based on the idea that an elephant would be impossible to overlook. There is an obvious, yet ignored risk that should concerns all of us: the risk to our health by the installation of IWTs so close to our homes. That, folks, is the Elephant in the room.

**TURBINE TALK** is a voice in the community providing facts, insights and updates on Industrial Wind Turbine development. Future issues will cover the economics of IWT development; alternative energy and environmental considerations; impact on the Oak Ridges Moraine, local real estate, public infrastructure costs and future hydro bills.



The Information is believed to be accurate and complete when posted, but MWC cannot guarantee that it will remain accurate or complete or that it will be current at all times.

**Less than 2% of our electricity comes from wind turbines, yet our hydro costs have already risen 75% and now the Liberals have warned us of another 46% hike to come. Think your hydro is high now? Watch it double!**

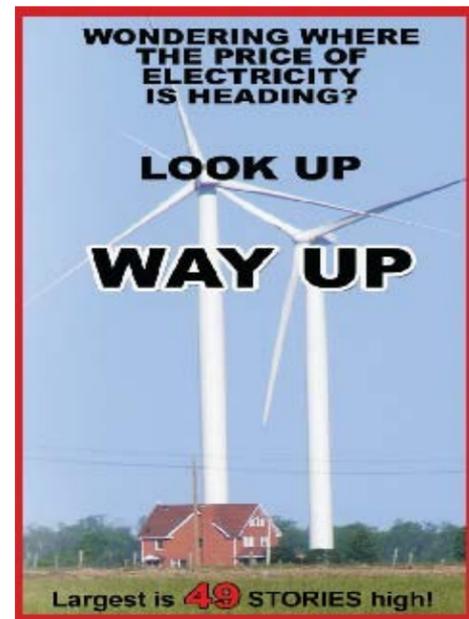
**WIND FIGHT NOT OVER**

**KAWARTHA LAKES Ward 16 Coun. Heather Stauble** says Manvers fight against 550 metre setbacks from wind turbines is not over, despite the Canadian Wind Energy Association claiming victory in a court decision last week.

Stauble says that the Court is not ruling one way or another on whether 550m is a safe distance. The ruling did not accept any of the challenges made by the government against expert witnesses, nor did they determine 550m was acceptable. It allows for the possibility that the director or an ERT will decide against a project.

"In this area, allowing for the 550m and 120m for woodlands and wetlands, there is not enough room for the 15 turbines that are planned. The wind companies would have to reduce the setbacks from 550m in almost every instance. The Director or the Tribunal may decide that that is not acceptable. So, it is not over."

excerpts from -lgervais@thepost.ca



## FISH MATTER MORE THAN YOU!

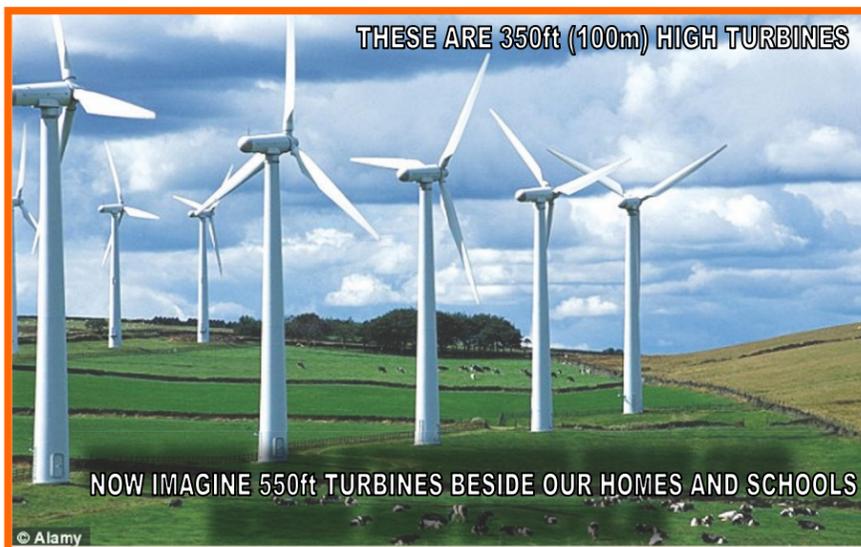
Premier Dalton McGuinty has divided rural Ontarians from urban. Now he is dividing the wealthiest rural landowners, those with lakefront property, from the rest of us. Freezing offshore wind-turbine developments gives the government time to study the possible health effects. Presumably he means human health, as opposed to the health of zebra mussels, catfish, lampreys or lake trout.

The province is determined to force residents of Central Ontario to live within 550m of land-based industrial wind turbines. If there's a possible health effect from an offshore turbine, isn't there necessarily the same possible effect from one on land? Isn't there an even greater possible effect, since the land turbines are, relatively speaking, right on top of nearby residents?

Lakefront residents of the urban belt along Lake Ontario, including Kingston and Toronto, have political clout. They have the numbers. They also have assets, which can be deployed in elections. **Why?** Because they own waterfront land - the most precious property around. The value of waterfront land, as any real estate agent will tell you, depends on the view. What about our view? Why are we called NIYBYs (Not In Your Backyard) simply because we don't want to see them towering in the foreground when we relax on our porch?

Opponents of IWTs can sense victory. Their efforts will be redoubled now.

Excerpts from [michael.dentandt@sunmedia.ca](mailto:michael.dentandt@sunmedia.ca)



### WE CAN WIN!

**RURAL ONTARIO COMMUNITIES WANT THEIR  
DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS BACK!  
ALREADY SEVENTY FIVE COUNCILS HAVE PASSED  
RESOLUTIONS, MOTIONS, BY LAWS OPPOSING  
THE GREEN ENERGY ACT**

The Green Energy Act 2009 was new legislation designed specifically to fast-track renewable energy projects. This detailed legislation involved some 65 pages of clauses touching 15 established Acts and it was called for 2nd reading debate just 24 hours after first being introduced. The Act takes away our democratic rights by eliminating all local planning and municipal approvals. Although the Act talks about community consultation, energy proponents are in effect required only to inform the community of their proposals. Our voices of concern for our community are simply put aside.

## What's Happening in Other Countries

**FRANCE** and **GERMANY** plan to slash green payouts.

The **U.K.** has announced spending cuts to renewable projects, not just due to consumer backlash against rising power rates. Because of fierce grassroots opposition from the over 230 anti-wind organizations, local governments have shelved or rejected 2 out of the 3 wind farm applications. That ratio is likely to get worse for the wind industry thanks to changes in planning laws that will be strengthened by local councils.

**DENMARK**, the mother country of IWTs has banned any further development of Turbines on land and they can no longer be any closer than 8 km from shore!

**NORWAY** studied Denmark and cancelled all wind energy factory plans.

**IRELAND** placed a moratorium on all new wind farm development.

**SCOTLAND** and **WALES** saw significant impact on revenue from the tourist industry and are now rejecting 95 per cent of applications for land-based and shore-based wind energy factories.

**SPAIN** began withdrawing subsidies for wind factories in 2002. In 2006 they put an end to all subsidies for wind factories. Most wind factories shut down as production of wind energy is not cost effective.

**SWITZERLAND** is also cutting subsidies. Why? Wind energy is too expensive relative to the benefit.

**NETHERLANDS** decommissioned 90 turbines in 2004. It is now placing turbines 8 to 40 km offshore.

In **JAPAN**, utilities have severely limited the wind power they will buy, effectively shutting down many wind energy factories.

**AUSTRALIA** has reduced the level of renewable energy the utilities must buy. The Senate is holding an Inquiry into wind turbine health hazards.

## MY MANVERS

Five years ago when my wife, Gail, and I searched most of southern Ontario for a country getaway, we visited a friend's farm in Bethany and found our piece of heaven. It was love at first sight... rolling hills, small communities, beautiful vistas, wildlife galore and incomparable beauty. We bought our beloved farmhouse just north of Bethany. Turbines were not part of the plan.

Friday nights we escaped to our country home. Sunday nights we returned to the city. Weekends in the country became longer. City weeks became shorter. Since coming to Manvers we have made many new friends and great neighbours. We are proud to be part of this community. We live here full time. Our city house is on the market.

Last spring, we learned that our beautiful countryside was targeted to be invaded by Industrial Wind Turbines. We joined the fight. We met a courageous group of local citizens from Pontypool, Bethany, and Janetville who have been battling the Wind companies and this government for over two years. Now, this "Citiot" is the midst of a rural battlefield. And make no mistake, this is a battle. Manvers Wind Concerns is a group of local citizens. Most of us have busy lives juggling work and family. We are former councilors, engineers, educators, conservationists, environmentalists, farmers, townsfolk, business owners, entrepreneurs, hockey coaches, wildlife artists and retired policemen. We are joined in a common cause to resist this attack by big business and big government on our communities. "The Green Energy Act" is an assault on common sense, fiscal prudence, precautionary good judgment, and is an affront to what was once the democratic right of Municipalities to set their own industrial course... the people for the people. According to the government we are going to get the irresponsible placement of Industrial Wind Turbines near our homes whether we like it or not... we will see.

We will resist this Renewable Energy Windscam. The market will show that there are no companies in the Wind business; only Government subsidized business that will provide an inefficient, expensive and marginal source of energy. The market will realize that the health of families living near IWTs is at stake... that skyrocketing electricity bills are imminent. IWTs will be exposed for the financially fraudulent and destructive energy alternative that they are. There is a ground swell of opposition. More and more communities in rural Ontario are banding together. The media has taken notice. Health symposiums, wind concern groups and town hall meetings are taking place across the province. Legal cases are now before the courts. This government's "Green Energy Act" is being exposed for what it really is... a provincial sham.

If anyone reading this newsletter is apathetic, believes it is a done deal or is hoping this threat will go away by itself... know that it's not a done deal and it's not just going to disappear. Not so very long ago, neighbours broke bread together, worked together and protected each other and their community from harms way. Today, our community is being attacked - our way of life, as we know it, has been threatened. I urge you to get involved. We must work together to stop this outrage. Speak out... help out... protect your community and your family before it's too late. **Together we can do it!**

Paul Reid - Manvers Wind Concerns Chair

## IS THIS WHAT YOU WANT?



## WHO CAN YOU TRUST?

**They told us that ASBESTOS, DDT, UREA FORMALDEHYDE, and AGENT ORANGE were safe. Why would we believe them when they say WIND TURBINES are safe?**

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