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Dear members of the Connecticut Siting Council:

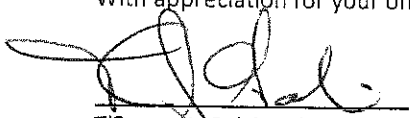
The Town Council of Prospect, Connecticut continues to support and encourage renewable energy projects and acknowledges their importance to mankind's future. In December 2010, the Town Council submitted a resolution which urged the Connecticut Legislators to impose a moratorium on wind turbines until such time as the State of Connecticut would establish statewide minimum standards relating to wind energy projects. Those standards include, but are not limited to *setbacks, fall zones, safety zones, ice control, view sheds, sound limits, shadow flicker effects, bonding, decommissioning and site restoration.*

We acknowledge that the Siting Council has responded to the legislators' decision by developing a Draft set of standards and has called for public comment and scheduled public meetings to discuss their applicability and to address the aforementioned areas of concern.

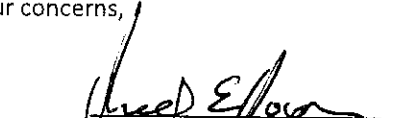
We are in agreement with the concerns expressed to this Council by Prospect residents that these regulations, as drafted, may not provide adequate protections, specifically with regard to: the proposed setback distance of only 1.1 times the height of the wind turbine, and the need for the inclusion of a stipulated means of enforcement and payment for decommissioning and site restoration.

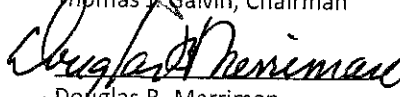
The Prospect Town Council reaffirms its position as stated in the attached resolution dated December 14, 2010, and urges the Siting Council to generate strong wind regulations which will assure that the health, safety, quality of life and economic stability for all Connecticut residents are safeguarded and not adversely impacted by the adoption of such standards.

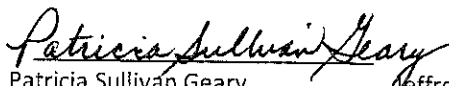
With appreciation for your ongoing efforts and your consideration of our concerns,

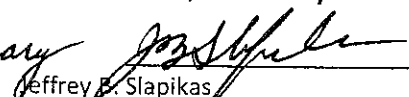

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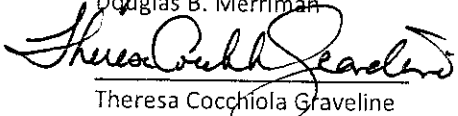

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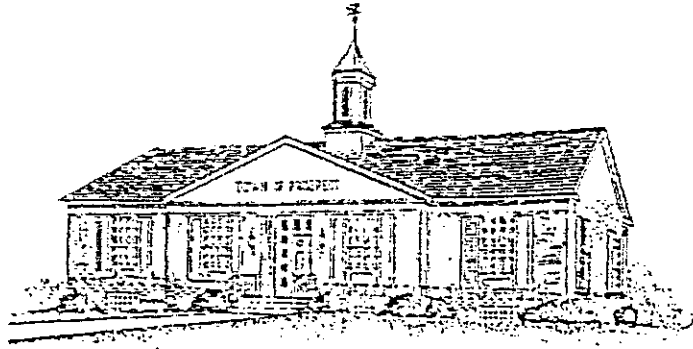

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RESOLUTION OF THE PROSPECT TOWN COUNCIL
REGARDING WIND TURBINE PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the Town Council of Prospect, Connecticut supports and encourages renewable energy projects and acknowledges their importance to mankind's future; and

WHEREAS, a wind turbine project proposal has been submitted to the Connecticut Siting Council for a declaratory ruling to allow its construction and operation in the Town of Prospect; and

WHEREAS, such a project will have a significant impact on the Town and its residents and may set precedent for other similar projects in the State of Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes its responsibility to safeguard the health, welfare, safety, quality of life, and economic stability of the Town and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Prospect Town Council supports the active involvement of Prospect's land use boards and local health boards in establishing regulations relating to wind energy projects; and

WHEREAS, the Prospect Town Council supports the Mayor of Prospect's appearance before the Connecticut Siting Council as the representative party for the Town of Prospect, and further, supports his appeal for said Council to consider all applicable information and confer maximum possible weight to the concerns of the residents of Prospect;

NOW, THEREFORE: The Prospect Town Council urges our state legislators to immediately submit legislation calling for a moratorium on wind turbine projects until such time as the State of Connecticut establishes statewide minimum standards relating to wind energy projects, including, but not limited to, setbacks, fall zones, safety zones, ice control, view sheds, sound limits, shadow flicker effects, bonding, decommissioning and site restoration.

RESOLVED THIS 14TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2010 BY THE UNDERSIGNED MEMBERS OF THE PROSPECT TOWN COUNCIL.

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