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To: Susan Hudson, Clerk
Public Service Board
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RE: Docket #7628, Show Cause Order

Dear Ms. Hudson,

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Lowell Mountains Group Inc. (LMG). We are aware that Kingdom Community Wind (KCW) has violated the noise conditions in their CPG set by the PSB.

LMG's resources have been exhausted. While we do have members who have suffered negative impacts from these violations (and noise at other times), we do not have the resources to hire an attorney to help us prepare testimony or to defend us during cross-examination. LMG can no longer participate in the PSB process that requires financial resources. I am submitting this via email due to LMG's financial hardship at this present time. I would hope that the Board would consider providing intervenor funding so that we can participate in the process.

I am aware that there are several families, including some LMG members, who live close to the project that have health conditions that have been brought on by the noise from the KCW project. Several people have complained of headaches, ringing in the ears, sleep deprivation, exhaustion, depression, and there has been at least three with a heart related irregularities.

On July 3rd I went on the tour provided by KCW and spoke with a gentleman who is in charge of production of renewable projects for Green Mountain Power (GMP). I asked him how many times had KCW operated at capacity and he said only twice. I bring this up because it appears to me that once they operate at or near capacity there will be a huge increase in noise violations. I also witnessed many other violations during the tour; mostly storm water. Photos are available of the level spreaders failing, and streaming in the road.

We were told that these turbines do not make noise and that they would not be heard past one thousand feet; this is untrue. I live one and half miles from this project and I can hear the noise; some folks in Albany can hear it up to four miles away. I can only imagine what will happen when they are running at or near capacity.

During the technical hearings I was told by Chairman Volz that if there were violations of conditions we could come back to the Board for help. We are back and asking you to set the maximum sanction on the KCW project for violating the noise condition. GMP needs to know that this is a serious violation and that it will not be tolerated. I am also hoping that you will require a full time monitoring plan paid for by GMP but done by an independent firm, and that LMG has some say in who is chosen to do the monitoring.

Regards,



Robbin Clark

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