RESOLUTION #03212013-B

On March 21, 2013 The Mercer County Township Association has adopted the following resolution:

Whereas, the Mercer County Township Trustees Association is concerned that the development of industrial-sized wind generating power plant in populated areas like ours can have many long-term negative consequences, that at this time, we cannot fully quantify and understand

Whereas a large industrial wind development can have many potential short and long term negative impacts to both the local road system as well as to economic development opportunities.

Whereas, this Township Trustees Association respects and recognizes the importance of private property rights but recommends that landowners be fully informed and seek professional legal counsel that is versed in the law as it relates to the granting of leases, easements to wind development companies. Further we respectfully request that landowners consider potential impacts to neighbors as a result of agreements being formalized with wind development companies.

Finally, it is <u>not</u> the intent of this Township Association to promote large industrial wind development efforts in Mercer County, but rather to discourage them. This resolution does not in any way discourage private entities from developing wind resources under the 5 megawatts threshold (which is not regulated by the Ohio Power Siting Board) provided they comply with applicable zoning regulations.

Resolution was motioned by Ron Niekamp Seconded by Keith Canary

All voted in favor on March 21, 2013

Mercer County Township Association

Mike Thien President

fom Lochtefeld Secretary/Treasurer