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Dear Deputy Warden and Councillors,

Re: Rhodena Wind Farm in Inverness County – Developers: Community Wind Farms Inc. and ABO Wind Canada

As elected officials of Inverness County, who have the power to guide our future through the counties bylaws, I wish to register my objection to the Rhodena Wind Farm proposed for the Long Point/Craigmore/Creignish area.

There are just so many things wrong with having the Rhodena Wind Farm in our community. The far reaching negative effects are (1) the proposed number of 18 turbines, (2) the sheer height of the proposed 200 meters (656 feet) turbines constructed on top of the 200 meters above sea level ridge of the mountain, making the turbines 400 meters (1,312 feet) high, (3) noise, (4) flickering, (5) the proposed 1000 meters (3,280 feet); concern with the distance and the set back from a “residence” rather than from a “property boundary” and (6) the potential Environmental impact to which extent is undetermined at this time.

Recent newspaper testimonials from real people living with turbines, tell us that both the noise and the flickering are not as being presented by Rhodena Wind Farm. In fact, they are so severe as to have ongoing damaging effects on people’s health and wellbeing. We “do not” want this for our community or do we believe you as our representatives want this for us either.

The 1000 meter setback Rhodena Wind Farm is proposing is from a “residence” rather than a “property boundary”. This would mean residents with large parcels of land would not be able to build any type of structure on the back end of their property, making it unusable. Every property owner should have the right to the enjoyment and development of their land.

We all know how much our Island depends on Tourism. Having the Rhodena Wind Farm on our beautiful Route 19 is very troublesome. It is unimaginable to see 18 massive turbines 400 meters (1,312 feet) in height along the mountainous plateau and ridge, as tourists travel along our beautiful Ceilidh Coastal Trail on the direct route to 2 world class golf courses and the beginning of our famous Cabot Trail. To damage our landscape with these massive turbines would be sinful.

We are confident that Councillors must have the same concerns as the residents. We are therefore requesting you, our elected representatives, to listen to your communities concerns as well and stop the Rhodena Wind Farm proposed for Long Point/Craigmore/Creignish by any means possible.

Respectfully yours,

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