

February 27, 2019

Honourable Greg Rickford
Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines
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Room 5630, 5th Floor
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Toronto, ON M7A 1W1

Object: Issuance of Electricity Generation Licence EG-2018-0213 to cancelled renewable energy contract with Eastern Fields Wind Farm LP

Dear Minister:

On July 13, 2018, you announced through a media release that: "Ontario ratepayers will benefit from \$790 million in savings thanks to the Government of Ontario's decision to cancel and wind down 758 renewable energy contracts." Attached to the media release was a list of 758 renewable energy contracts identified for wind-down, including Eastern Fields Wind Farm LP.

On December 6, 2018, the Ontario Energy Board issued the Electricity Generation Licence EG-2018-0213 to Eastern Fields Wind Farm LP valid until December 5, 2038. Please see the attached document.

On behalf of the 650 people that could have been affected by the Eastern Fields wind turbine project in St-Bernardin (The Nation Municipality), Save The Nation is asking you to explain **why or how a cancelled renewable energy project can be issued an electricity generation licence?**

Save The Nation is a grassroots movement that has been fiercely opposing the Eastern Fields industrial wind turbine project since the summer of 2015. We do not oppose green initiatives; we strongly oppose policies that allow projects to be built without any consideration or protection for the environment and local populations.

In your July 2018 announcement, you had stated the following: "We clearly promised we would cancel these unnecessary and wasteful energy projects as part of our plan to cut hydro rates by 12 per cent for families, farmers and small businesses." **We now ask you to confirm that this promise has been kept and that Eastern Fields Wind Farm LP is a dead project with no chance of ever moving forward. We also ask you to revoke the useless Electricity Generation Licence EG-2018-0213.**

Yours sincerely,

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c.c : Premier Doug Ford; Hon. Rod Phillips; Amanda Simard, MPP Glengarry-Prescott-Russell; Brian Hewson, Ontario Energy Board, François St-Amour, The Nation Municipality