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Hello and Good Morning.

We, my husband & I have lived on Loveren Mill Rd since the mid 1970's, at which time, we joined the Durlings who lived up a bit further, to establish the electric power lines running from Rt 9 to our homes. Others moved here in the mid to late 1980's, & 90's and we are now a neighborhood on this road of 7 family's. There has not been much development in this area business wise or other. Antrim is a small town, with one of the higher tax rates & thru these years, we've seen it lose all its larger business.

In our working lives, we witnessed, in our travels, other forms of energy, such as Hydro, Solar, Nuclear, and Wind! We had fought against a proposal for a Hydro project below our road along the North Branch of the Contookcook River back in the early 90's, ...but when Wind Power was proposed nearby, we were and still are for it! Its now been over 7 years of attending meetings, sending letters, and its still being held up.

We realize Antrim is a small town, but its a chance for it to grow! The project would inject new jobs, an increase in our local economy, bring more attention to both the town and its progressive move towards energy efficiency for our children and grandchildren's future! We don't expect our individual Electric fees to go down, but the immediate tax benefit to the Town would also help. Thru these years, 80% or more of the People of Antrim have listened and voted to have it approved...why for the sake of a very few is it being held up?? One of the main desenters, we know of, persists in complaining of "Noise" when as neighbors live over a mile from the project itself! Our road (rt9) gives off more than the allowed 31 decibels of sound when the many trucks & cars passing below hit the newly ribbed strip along that stretch for no passing! Doubtful anyone has complained of that "noise"

We've lived here, quietly, just as others who've moved in from many other states and towns, but would like very much to have Antrim be considered still as a small town, but with Forward Free Thinking!!

Thank you for listening,

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