

Presiding Officer Evans

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Thank you Mr. Chairman.

I'M BOB EDWARDS, ONE OF THREE SELECTMEN FOR ANTRIM.

TODAY'S PUBLIC MEETING IS PRIMARILY TO RECEIVE PUBLIC TESTIMONY AS TO THE COMMITTEE'S FIRST CHARGE.

THE TOWN OF ANTRIM'S SELECT BOARDS POSITION IS SIMPLE. *and general in Nature.*

WE AS THE SELECT BOARD HAVE RELIED ON THE SEC'S EXPERTISE WHEN DEVELOPING BOTH OPERATIONAL STANDARDS AND COMPLIANCE MONITORING PROCEDURES THAT ARE FAIR AND EQUITABLE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES TO AFE. THE AWE INITIATIVE THAT ORIGINATED IN 2008. *I hope that my ^{Remarks} not oversimplifying this matter.*

THE TOWN EXPECTED AND CONTINUES TO EXPECT THAT THE METHODS UTILIZED TO COLLECT AND ANALYZE SOUND DATA WILL ADHERE TO THE REQUIREMENTS ALREADY DEFINED IN DETAIL IN THE TERMS AND METHODS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AND IN PLACE AS AN INTRAGAL PART OF AWE'S CERTIFICATE.

THERE MUST BE NO EFFORT BY THE SUB-COMMITTEE OR THE FULL COMMITTEE AS PART OF ITS "CHARGE" TO DEVIATE FROM OR SEEK ALTERNATIVE METHODOLOGIES FOR MEASUREMENTS STANDARDS OR ANALYSIS OF SOUND PROCEDURES FOR THIS WIND FARM.

SHOULD THE FULL COMMITTEE FEEL THAT SUCH AN EXERCISE IS JUSTIFIED, WE SUGGEST THAT ~~IS~~ A SEPARATE AND DISTINCT INITIATIVE BE UNDERTAKEN THAT MAY RESULT IN FUTURE RULE STANDARD CHANGES BUT IT IS CLEARLY OUTSIDE THE SCOPE AND INTENT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE'S FIRST CHARGE IN OUR OPINION.

WE AT THE TOWN LEVEL ARE SPENDING FAR TOO MUCH TIME UNNECESSASARILY ON WHAT APPEARS TO US A MATTER OF SIMPLY FOLLOWING COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS STANDARDS ALREADY IN PLACE.

I BELIEVE THAT IF THIS IS DONE, YOU'LL RECEIVE COMPLETE COOPERATION FROM LANDOWNERS AND NO WAIVERS WILL BE REQUIRED.

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~~MY ANALOGY IS THAT THE EPA DIDN'T SEEK OTHER EMISSION TESTING STANDARDS IN THEIR LITIGATION WITH VW, THOSE STANDARDS WERE ALREADY IN PLACE AND VALID. THEY SIMPLY TESTED FOR COMPLIANCE.~~

LET THE RESULTS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES. EITHER AWE IS COMPLIANT OR THEY ARE NOT -AND IF NOT, WE ASK THAT TIMELY CORRECTIVE ACTION BE UNDERTAKEN TO BRING ANY SOUND VIOLATIONS COMPLIANT WITH THE CERTIFICATE. IF THEY ARE FOUND TO BE COMPLIANT AFTER COLLECTION AND SOUND ANALYSIS HAS BEEN PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS, THEN PLEASE LET'S MOVE FORWARD.

THANK YOU.