The Society for Wind Vigilance

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DELAY DENIAL AND DISAPPOINTMENT

Response to Ontario Chief Medical Officer of Health report  “The Potential Health Impacts of Wind Turbines”

Toronto, On-June 3, 2010 – In a strongly worded document released today, The Society for Wind Vigilance states that the CMOH Report: The Potential Health Impacts of Wind Turbines “appears to be a government-convened attempt to justify unsound practices of wind turbine development while denying the adverse health effects reported by Ontario families”.

On its website www.windvigilance.com it states, “The Society for Wind Vigilance expresses both its surprise and disappointment with the quality of the CMOH’s report. The victims deserve consideration not denial.”

Rather than calling for the development of authoritative setbacks and noise guidelines based on independent third party clinical research The Society says Dr. Arlene King, Ontario’s Chief Medical Officer of Health decided to invest approximately seven months to produce a 14 page literature review with no original research.

According The Society for Wind Vigilance in its 55-page analysis of the literature review by CMOH released on May 20 this year, the report contains multiple examples “exhibiting a deficient understanding of Ontario setback regulations and noise guidelines for wind turbines” and “displays selective bias”.

Principle findings reached by The Society are that the CMOH review is “fraught with inaccuracies, contradictions and misinformation”. In particular crucial evidence gaps remain unaddressed in the CMOH paper while “the widely affirmed and urgent need for further research is not acknowledged”.

The Society for Wind Vigilance is an International federation of Physicians, Engineers and other professionals advocating for authoritative guidelines to protect the health and safety of communities like yours.

To view the complete analysis by The Society, please go to: http://windvigilance.com/CMOH_Analysis.aspx

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