

## CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

June 28, 2016

The Honourable Kathleen Wynne  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Bldg., Room 281  
Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON  
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Dear Honourable Premier:

### **Re: Mandatory Municipal Consent for Future Renewable Energy Projects**

This is to confirm that on Monday, June 27, 2016 West Lincoln Township Council adopted the following resolution.

(a) ITEM P74-16

**WHEREAS**, the Independent Electrical System Operator has requested input on the RFP process used to award renewable energy contracts; and,

**WHEREAS**, the government indicated that new contracts would be directed to willing host communities, and

**WHEREAS**, three of the five contracts announced on March 10 did not have municipal support for the project; and,

**WHEREAS**, there is no differentiation in the Green Energy Act to allow for larger setbacks based on the size of the Turbines being allowed for each installation, and

**WHEREAS**, there has been great disregard for the Township of West Lincoln's Natural Heritage System and the Tree Inventory during the installation of the Transmission system of the current project

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Council of the Township of West Lincoln requests:

- That the Municipal Support Resolution become a mandatory requirement in the IESO process;
- That the rules be amended to require that the resolution related to this support must be considered in an open Council meeting held after the community meeting organized by the proponent;
- That full details of the project, including siting of project elements and site consideration reports, are required to be made available at the community meeting and to the Council before the resolution is considered; and,

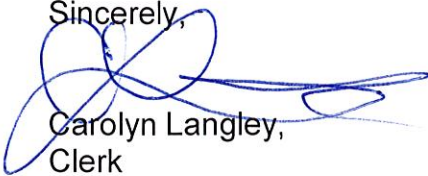
**THAT**, this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, Leaders of the Official Oppositions; Ministers of the Ministry of the Environment, Infrastructure and

Energy, Rural Affairs and Agriculture and Food, Municipal Affairs; Region of Niagara; Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc.; local MP and MPP; the Renewable Energy Approval applicants in West Lincoln and to all municipalities in the Province of Ontario requesting their support.

By copy of this letter, I am advising the appropriate parties of the action taken by Council regarding Mandatory Municipal Consent for Future Renewable Energy Projects.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Carolyn Langley', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Carolyn Langley,  
Clerk

cc: Patrick Brown, Leader of the Official Opposition, Progressive Conservative  
Andrea Horwath, Leader-New Democratic Party  
The Honourable Glen R. Murray, Minister of the Environment & Climate Change  
The Honourable Bob Chiarelli, Minister of Infrastructure  
The Honourable Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs  
The Honourable Glenn Thibeault, Minister of Energy  
The Honourable Bill Mauro, Minister of Municipal Affairs  
Ralph Walton, Office of the Regional Clerk, Niagara Region  
Janie Palmer, Chair, Board of Directors, Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc.  
Michael Weidemann, President FWRN-LP (NRWC)  
Dean Allison, MP  
Tim Hudak, MPP  
IPC/HAF – Rankin Construction, John MacLellan, Operations Manager – Renewable Energy  
Chris Carter, CAO – Township of West Lincoln  
Brian Treble, Director of Planning and Building – Township of West Lincoln