Environmental Review Tribunal to hold Preliminary Hearing regarding wind turbines

Environment and Land Tribunals Ontario, Environment Review Tribunal has issued a notice of a preliminary hearing on Monday, July 22 at 10 a.m. at Grace Tipling Hall, Theatre at 203 Main St. East in Shelburne with regard to the installation of Dufferin Wind Power Inc. wind turbines in Melancthon.

The purpose of the hearing is for the Tribunal to review the renewable energy project in accordance with the Renewable Energy Approval and whether or not it will cause serious harm to human health or serious and irreversible harm to plant life, animal life or the natural environment.

The hearing is also in place to rule on requests from groups and individuals for Party, Participant or Presenter status, to identify the issues to be considered at the Main Hearing, which will take place on Aug. 20 at the same location, and to deal with any preliminary matters that may be raised by those involved.

Those interested in obtaining Party, Participant or Presenter status at the Preliminary Hearing must provide their request in writing (preferably by email) to the Case Coordinator at by 4 p.m. no later than Thursday, July 18.

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