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Comments on Docket #2024-P-MULTI-0007 -- US Wind Project

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I am writing in opposition to the wind turbines. Wind energy is not efficient, reliable or cost effective. Wind energy cannot operate alone. The energy produced by the wind turbines is variable and fluctuates. In order to stabilize these fluctuations in energy produced or lack of energy altogether, there has to be a regulation system created. This regulation system has to be run on coal, natural gas or nuclear power in order to put a consistent flow of energy throughout the grid. These regulation systems costs hundreds of millions of dollars in addition to the cost of the wind turbines themselves. The wind companies leave the burden of the regulation system on the power company and in turn, the cost gets put on to the consumers. This is why wind energy costs 3-5 times MORE than natural gas, coal or nuclear alone. Considering this fact, why would the extra cost and environmental impact on our area by adding wind turbines even be considered? There is no reduction in CO2 impact from wind energy either. The wind company has no End of Use plan in place. The lifespans of wind turbines vary from 7-30 years. Who is going to dismantle and dispose of these turbines at the end of their lifespan or if they are damaged and debris clean up is needed? The wind company has not studied the environmental impact on our area. The Delmarva peninsula is one of the largest migratory bird resting and feeding places as well as one of the highest concentrations of horseshoe crab populations. These birds feed mostly on horseshoe crab eggs. Why hasn't there been concern or a study for this and other environmental impacts? How will the line coming in to 3Rs effect the beach erosion? What is the plan for beach erosion and the integrity of the coastline where the power line is proposed to be at 3Rs? Why are some of the wind turbines going to be in as close as 8 miles, while other wind farms are out 25 miles? What costs and measures are being cut regarding this? The added high cost to power, the unknown impacts to our environment, the lack of an End of Use Plan and no reduction in CO2 due to the need of a natural gas, coal or nuclear regulator should end any discussion regarding the wind turbines. Please, listen to our community and do not allow these wind turbines into our area. Please see attached file with evidence proving wind energy is not efficient, reliable or cost effective, as well as not reducing any CO2 impact. <https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:VA6C2:becac562-c243-404f-a97c-63f847911685>