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Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council

621 Woodland Square Loop

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RE: Request to transfer control and extend the expiration date for the Whistling Ridge Energy Project

Dear Chair Drew and Members of the Council,

I live in Hood River and would have a view of the proposed Whistling Ridge Energy wind turbines on the skyline ridgelines north of our home.

I have been opposed to this project from its inception and now find this zombie proposal has a public hearing, tonight! Why have I not received adequate notice about this hearing from EFSEC? Do you not have an obligation to notify people who have been involved in this project previously? I found out about tonight's hearing by chance and know that many other people in the Columbia Gorge of Oregon and Washington who previously commented and who would have liked to have had a chance to weigh in on this project. I believe holding this hearing without adequate public notice goes against public interest and fairness.

My second objection is that an extension of a Site Certification Agreement that has already expired, by several years, is an obvious and direct violation of the law and your own terms. How can you even consider extending this agreement? You should instead require the applicant to start over again with a new application.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Peter Cornelison