



# Bluewater Wind Energy Centre Community Liaison Committee

## We're establishing a Community Liaison Committee (CLC) for the Bluewater Wind Energy Centre.

In April 2013, Varna Wind, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of NextEra Energy Canada, ULC (NextEra), obtained approval from the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) to build a Wind Energy Centre in the Municipality of Bluewater, Huron County Ontario.

## About the Bluewater Wind Energy Centre

The Bluewater Wind Energy Centre, which includes a transmission line that extends into the Municipality of Huron East, will have a maximum generating capacity of up to 60 megawatts, using 37 wind turbines; this is enough clean energy to power over 15,000 homes. The wind farm is expected to create about 150 construction jobs, 5 to 6 full-time local operations jobs, and is estimated – over its 20 year lifespan – to contribute almost \$9 million to local governments in property taxes and \$13 million in lease payments to landowners.

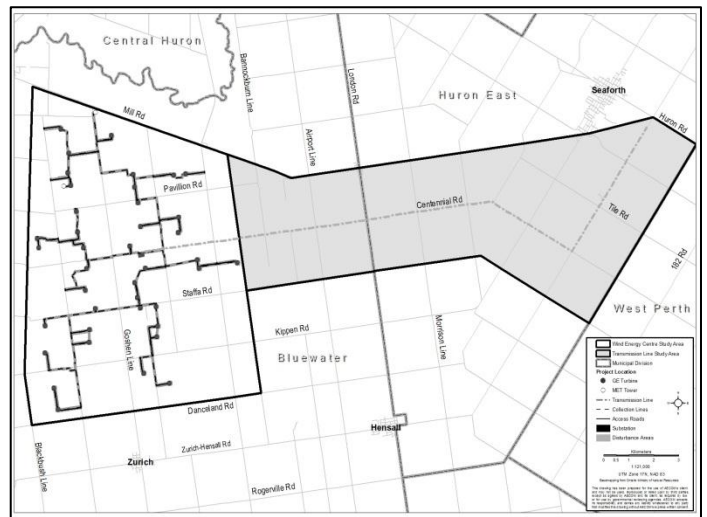
## We want to hear from you!

We know that good planning involves the community. We are establishing a Community Liaison Committee to discuss key aspects of construction, installation, use, operation, maintenance and retirement of the Bluewater Wind Energy Centre. This Committee is a requirement of our Renewable Energy Approval (REA), and will be a forum to discuss concerns, exchange ideas, share plans and to provide project up-dates. The purpose of the CLC is not to re-visit those issues or concerns already addressed through the MOE's approval process.

## Join the conversation

The Committee will consist of up to 14 people with membership drawn from a cross-section of the community so as to provide a broad and balanced perspective. Representatives of the following groups are intended to make up the Committee: landowners; residents within 1 km of the Project; Aboriginal communities; agriculture; business / industry; environment and local organizations; and representatives from government agencies. All CLC meetings will be open so that the public can attend and observe the conversation – requests for delegations are welcomed and can be made prior to each meeting.

The CLC is expected to meet at least four times over a two year period, with two meetings each year. We expect to hold our first meeting by the end of September 2013. The meetings will be at a time and location that is convenient to most members. Committee members will be encouraged to share any information gained and the results of all discussions with other interested community members. An independent, third-party facilitator from AECOM has been retained to chair the Community Liaison Committee meetings.



To get involved, please contact **Avril Fiskin** of AECOM by July 31<sup>st</sup> so that she can speak with you about your interest and confirm next steps.

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To learn more about the Bluewater Wind Energy Centre please visit the NextEra Energy Canada website at [www.NextEraEnergyCanada.com](http://www.NextEraEnergyCanada.com) or contact Derek Dudek, Community Relations.

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