

March 9, 2011

Mr. Reginald Karg Chairman Riga Township Planning Commission 7817 Riga Highway Riga, Michigan 49276

Dear Mr. Karg:

On behalf of the National Association of Broadcasters ("NAB"), I am writing concerning the proposed regulatory provisions regarding wind generation and other alternative energy uses to be considered at a special meeting of the Riga Township Planning Commission on March 10, 2011. NAB is a nonprofit trade association that advocates on behalf of local radio and television stations and also broadcast networks before Congress, the Federal Communications Commission and other federal agencies, and the courts.

There is a concern that the proposed construction of wind turbines in the Southeast Section of Lenawee County, Michigan, may impair local, over-the-air television service in the vicinity of the proposed wind farm, including the service of WLMB-TV (Toledo, OH) and several other NAB members. It is my understanding that over-the-air broadcast television signals can be distorted by both the reflection and movement of wind turbine blades, and that the degree of distortion may be affected by several factors, such as the location of the wind farm, the number of turbines, and the height of the turbines.

NAB believes that the potential impact on television viewers is an important public policy consideration. Thus, NAB respectfully requests that the Planning Commission carefully consider the concerns set forth by WLMB-TV before taking any final action, including, if appropriate, extending the existing moratorium on development of the wind farm by an additional 12 months to allow time for further study of the potential impact on television reception and viewers. Additional study is especially important because, once the wind farm is completed, it will be too late to undo any damage caused to over-the-air television service.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and on behalf of NAB, I would also like to express my appreciation for your public service.

Sincerely,

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Executive Vice President and General Counsel

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cc: Ms. Karlene Goetz, Clerk, Riga Township Planning Commission