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**October 14, 2008**

**Dear Guildwood Resident:**

**Toronto Hydro Meeting  
Monday October 27**

**Toronto Hydro is proposing to install an Anemometer and platform into Lake Ontario at the bottom of the Scarborough Bluffs.**

**In recent meetings with Toronto Hydro I have told them that my community needs to be given a better opportunity to voice their concerns in a public meeting format to ensure they are heard and updated on the proposal.**

**Toronto Hydro has agreed to host a meeting on Monday October 27, 2008 at the Christ Church - Scarborough Village 155 Markham Road located at just north of Kingston Road from 6:30pm – 9:00pm.**

**I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.**

**Sincerely,**

**Paul Ainslie  
Councillor  
City of Toronto  
Ward 43 Scarborough East**

On reverse: Please find my comments to the Ministry of Natural Resources & Toronto Hydro Scarborough Community Council Motion dated September 9, 2008



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Markham, Ontario L3R 5Z6

Mark Patterson  
Ministry of Natural Resources  
50 Bloomington Road West  
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Re: Proposed wind monitoring station Toronto Hydro Lake Ontario Anemometer

I have been contacted by many residents expressing their concerns about the Toronto Hydro Energy Services plans to perform wind testing on Lake Ontario from The Don Valley Expressway east to the Township of Ajax; with the ultimate goal to install a wind farm consisting of 60 wind turbines in Lake Ontario 2 – 4 km from the Scarborough Bluffs shoreline.

To begin with, constituents I have dialogued with are concerned about the possible environmental impact of the proposed wind farm. The turbines would have a profound negative impact on the view from the world renowned and historic Scarborough Bluffs. Other factors see this large area used for pleasure sailing by local residents. There is also a negative impact on the migratory flight paths of birds, and the North American Monarch butterfly (already an endangered species).

As this proposal would affect 5 wards within our City I am requesting that Toronto Hydro find a more suitable location at the western end of Toronto not directly impacting residential communities, endangered species or disrupt an area world renowned as a tourist attraction.

Further, I am interested in obtaining information on the process used to review this specific site and disclose all the sites investigated for this particular project.

Currently the City of Toronto hosts a wind turbine at the foot of the Canadian National Exhibition property which may conclude to be a viable location to increase Toronto Hydro's goals.

I look forward to your response.  
Paul Ainslie Councillor City of Toronto Ward 43 Scarborough East

c. Joyce Mclean, Director, Strategic Issues ,Toronto Hydro Corporation

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| <b>SCARBOROUGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL</b>   |   | <b>MOTION</b>   |
|  |   | Preliminary – For Reference Purposes Only<br>For Official Record Refer To |
|  |   | <b>Certificate of Amendments &amp; Minutes</b>                            |
|  |   | <b>Item: SC18.30 – ADDED ITEM</b>   |
|  |   | <b>Moved by: Councillor Ainslie</b>                                       |
| <b>Scarborough Community Council recommends that City Council:</b>                                 |   |   |
| 1.   | <b>Request Toronto Hydro Energy Services to reconsider their current proposal to conduct wind testing that would affect the Scarborough lakefront wards and find a more suitable location at the western end of Toronto, which would not impact the view from the world renowned and historic Scarborough Bluffs; a large area used for pleasure sailing by local residents as well as migratory flight path of birds and the North American Monarch butterfly (an endangered species).</b> |   |
| Date   | <b>September 9, 2008</b>  |   |
| <b>(Lost on tie vote)</b>  |   |   |
| <b>Voted for Councillor Ainslie's motion</b>   |   |   |
| Councillor Ainslie , Councillor Ashton , Councillor Moeser , Councillor Kelly, Councillor Thompson |   |   |
| <b>Voted against Councillor Ainslie's motion</b>   |   |   |
| Councillor Heaps, Councillor Lee, Councillor Del Grande, Councillor Cho, Councillor De Baeremaeker |   |   |