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Projet de parc éolien Saint-Cyprien à Saint-Cyprien-de-Napierville

Hi,

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I hope this letter finds you in good health and high spirits. Please consider my supporting memoire for the St-Cyprien Wind Energy project. I am a native of planet Earth first, and also of Kahnawake. I think that all land is sacred. In a sense, we are only here to oversee a much larger chain of rhythms and cycles. If we can see land in this way, it follows that we are all stewards presiding over land. So, how we act as stewards should support the natural rhythms of the planet. According to this we have a few serious questions to consider for our world game: How are we going to proceed with it? Where are we going to put it? And who is going to clean it up after we're gone?

No one knows the answer to the last question. But one way to proceed is to drastically reduce our carbon footprint, to lessen the load on the planet, and future generations. At this time Canada is the 10th largest carbon emitter in the world. It's not surprising, as Canada has the 3rd largest oil reserve in the world, mostly sitting in the oil sands in Alberta. Meanwhile China and the U.S. are both making clean energy a trade priority. And I want to be clear in that this isn't a geographic or economic issue. It's bigger. The world can't move forward with a green energy revolution, and at the same time cling to the old notion that carbon based fuels will sustain our game forever. It's a very short-sighted notion based on monetary profit and competitive advantage. The oil-sands project will only serve to increase our consumption of non-renewable energy, as well as our carbon emissions, and our already lofty contribution to climate change. So I ask again, who is going to clean it all up? When we talk about climate change we are really talking about risk. A simple worst case scenario will demonstrate that the risk we are facing. Please bare with me. The worst case scenario if we don't change our ways of consumption is that climate change spirals out of control as it has started to, causing unpredicated natural disasters, the destruction of all natural ecosystems from global warming, and a possible descent into a new ice age. And WE lose everything, including the economies, the WORLD economy, and so maybe that wouldn't be so bad. But we lose the farms too, and the animals, and we'll run out of food and eventually we'll die off too. The planet will become unlivable. So even if you can't prove this is what will happen starting 2040, we are talking about risk. It's a really, big, risk to take. And we are going to feel pretty silly on that day if we wake up and realize that we were apathetic, or we let legal and social barriers stand in the way of our only plan for a better future. This isn't a geographical issue, it's not even about land. We know the risk.

How are we going to proceed and where are we going to put it? I think we should get on the train of the best idea we've got. Get on the wind train. We don't know where to put our carbon emissions, but we know where we can put wind turbines. This is how we can act as stewards of the land. We can participate in the natural rhythms of the planet. It will be a step in the direction towards sustainability, and the economy won't even suffer. On the contrary, the mutual benefits would be significant. According to economist John T. Harvey, "The problem in a nutshell, is that not everything that is profitable is of social value and not everything of social value is profitable". He was talking about government privatization. But I think it's an important thought to consider. When you find something that is both of social value, and profitable, why wouldn't you want it? Seriously.

I lived and worked on a biodynamic farm in Ontario, where wind turbines spot their fields in huge numbers. Interestingly, they don't marr the landscape like a power plant or the strip mining of oil sands. They have a quiet kind of beauty, which I imagine comes as a bonus when there has been consideration for the future. Think about it.

Thank you for taking the time to listen to my memoire. Please allow your consciousness to advise you in this matter.

In love and peace

**Adam Morris**