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Dear Ms. Landis,

On Tuesday evening, October 23, a public work session of the Town Council and the Planning Board of the Town of Cape Vincent, NY was held for the purpose of considering the proposed British Petroleum wind power project in our town.

Present before us to inform us about the project and to respond to our questions was BP Wind Power Development Director, Richard Chandler.

It has become the norm in Cape Vincent for meetings of our Town Council and Planning Board to be recorded. Enclosed for your reference is a video disc recording of the full-length of Tuesday's meeting.

We provide you with this recording in the hope that you will view it and thereby better inform yourself about the receptivity of our people and their town government to the proposed BP project. More than once Mr. Chandler asserted his confidence that the BP project enjoys our community support and that BP is not prepared to move forward in communities where such support is lacking. We found it hard to believe our ears. The great majority of our residents do not want your project in our town and they want any future development to be compatible with our zoning laws.



To be frank, Ms. Landis, we were astonished and taken aback by Mr. Chandler's persistent unwillingness to respond to very straightforward and pertinent questions respectfully asked of him by each of the undersigned town officials. What happened Tuesday evening was anything but a candid and open discussion with us regarding the

aspects, implications and history of your wind project here. Mr. Chandler simply refused to have that conversation, answering our questions only in the narrowest fashion possible often to the point of being completely unresponsive and patently evasive. To say this was a frustrating evening for the government of the Town of Cape Vincent would be an understatement.


Again, we ask you to view the enclosed recording and make every other effort to understand what has obviously escaped Mr. Chandler, Cape Vincent values its small-town roots and does not want what we consider the industrial blight that will accompany your project. We also ask that you re-evaluate your company's plans, because what you propose for Cape Vincent is not only incompatible with our community's vision, but is also incompatible with BP's wind projects elsewhere, since there are many more people here and we are committed to protecting their health, safety and general welfare.

Thank you for your close attention to this and we would very much welcome your response.

Sincerely yours,

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