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Dear Member,

From **Friday, October 8, 2010** and for 30 to 45 days following, the Fox Islands Electric Cooperative will sponsor a survey of members currently living within a one-mile radius of the Fox Islands Wind site. The purpose of this survey is to collect neighbors' subjective responses to the various sounds emitted by the wind turbines.

While we are asking each participant to complete logs for 30 days, please note that the study period length is somewhat dependent on the number of respondents and the weather. If few respondents participate and loud weather and turbine conditions are rarely present, respondents will be asked to continue logging for an additional 15 days. Additionally, because any and all log data might be useful, if respondents wish to either begin prior to the period, or end after it they are welcomed to do so. To that end, if data from the February NRO study period is available, but has not been submitted, it would be welcomed as well.

At the completion of this survey, responses will be analyzed by researchers from the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL). The objective of the analysis is to identify bothersome sounds and their sources and to determine possible sound mitigation strategies (please see the attached letter and action plan for more details). The researchers need meaningful input from the project's neighbors in order to inform the Cooperative of such strategies.

Karol Kucinski has agreed to assist the Cooperative in administering this survey, and he will contact each resident individually to discuss the data collection process. Please contact Karol once you have completed your survey. He will ensure that all responses are kept confidential and shared only with NREL researchers. Additional logs and materials are available through Karol or at the Cooperative office.

Any questions that arise during this process should be directed to Karol, who will forward them to the appropriate member of this research effort. Questions and answers will then be posted on the Fox Islands Wind website (www.foxislandswind.com) so that the information is available to all members of the community.

We thank you for your participation in this important effort.

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