

--- On **Wed, 3/30/11**, **Sen. Witkos, Kevin** <[Kevin.Witkos@cga.ct.gov](mailto:Kevin.Witkos@cga.ct.gov)> wrote:

From: Sen. Witkos, Kevin <[Kevin.Witkos@cga.ct.gov](mailto:Kevin.Witkos@cga.ct.gov)>

Subject: RE: State Budget

To: "Everett Briggs" <[snigdom@sbcglobal.net](mailto:snigdom@sbcglobal.net)>

Date: Wednesday, March 30, 2011, 9:11 AM

Good morning Mr. Briggs,

The legislature cannot direct the Siting Council to approve or deny an application. That said, I cosponsored a bill this session that asked for a moratorium on the siting of wind projects until regulations were adopted. I have attended the Fairwinds meeting and the siting Council public hearing on March 22. While I support green energy, I feel that well thought out regulations must be adopted before this project goes forward.

Kevin

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Everett Briggs [mailto:[snigdom@sbcglobal.net](mailto:snigdom@sbcglobal.net)]

> Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2011 2:29 PM

> To: Sen. Witkos, Kevin

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> Message Body:

> The Issues Budget, Public Safety and the Environment.

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> Dear Sen. Witkos: I am a registered Republican who donated  
> to your campaign and voted for you in the last cycle.

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> I am concerned about the threat of an industrial wind farm in  
> Colebrook. Surely the Legislature can take whatever action  
> is necessary to ensure the Siting Council does not approve  
> this project. The proposed 40-storey high machines will risk  
> the safety and health of nearby residents, lower property  
> values, by destroying the pristine landscape affect tourism  
> and related business, and pose environmental and safety  
> hazards that the town is not equipped to address(including  
> the possibility of fires from lightning-struck towers. The  
> applicant, BNE Inc, has no prior experience building or

> operating wind farms, and without a disclosed business plan,  
> is vulnerable to the charge they are in it only to make a  
> fast buck off the taxpayer, relying heavily on government  
> subsidies for alternate energy. Experts in the field say the  
> wind conditions in this part of the state do not support an  
> economically viable project of this kind.  
> Please let me know what position you have taken on this, and  
> what you propose to do to protect the interests of the people  
> of this part of Connecticut.

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> Yours,

> Everett Ellis Briggs, US Ambassador (Ret.)

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