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Dear friends of ORAVA,

Beware of wind turbines.

No energy policy, if implemented, is more expensive, unreliable and (ironically) environmentally unfriendly. European countries, which pushed windmills well before us, now are retreating along all fronts.

The generation of windmill power is as unstable and fickle as our weather in Belgium
Operating capacity (usable time) of windmills is less than a measly 20 percent (fossil fuel plants are at least three times greater), and wind power is not synchronous with peak demand.

This unreliable and unstable power results in damaging power surges and possible blackouts, creating numerous problems on the grid. Because of this, nations such as Ireland no longer will allow the addition of windmills to its power lines.

Fossil fuel plants that were predicted to be replaced in Europe by wind power continue to run. You cannot turn a fossil fuel plant on and off (dependent on the wind) as if it were a light switch. Operating cost and the life of the plant would be greatly affected. The net result is carbon dioxide emissions are not reduced in Europe through wind power.

Windmills are not environmentally friendly. Spain estimates 11,000 birds of prey and 3 million smaller birds are destroyed per year by the windmills' turning blades (wing spans larger than a 747's).

Also, the noise of these 150m whirling monstrosities, with turbine housings the size of a bus, create "disco bass" noise levels that the Environmental Protection Agency has called harmful to humans up to a half mile away. Usually the first observation of anyone visiting a wind farm is how devoid of life they are. Habitat for deer, rabbits and bear is now barren.

Wind power is expensive. With wind power, there is always an increase to the customer's utility bill. In Germany, the renewable energy cost is 10 times more than fossil fuel. Wind power is heavily subsidized and not by the utilities, but by the consumer.

In the southern part of Belgium (Wallonia) 63% of the non-urban citizens are against onshore wind power development because of the environmental destruction, the regressions in life quality of the citizens and the value-loss of their houses.

So resist and fight this windmill tyranny!

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