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Project:	Proposed Jericho Wind Energy Centre
OPA Reference Number:	FIT-FRZYKJA
Report Title:	Heritage Assessment Report
Applicant:	Jericho Wind, Inc.
Location:	Municipality of Warwick, Lambton County and Municipality of North Middlesex, Middlesex County, ON
MTCS File No.:	PLAN-00EA078

Dear Christopher Andreae:

This office has reviewed the above-mentioned report (the "Report"), which has been submitted to this ministry as required under O. Reg. 359/09, as amended (Renewable Energy Approvals under the *Environmental Protection Act*) (the "REA regulation"). This letter constitutes the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport (the "Ministry") comments for the purposes of section 23(3)(a) of the REA regulation regarding the heritage assessment undertaken for the above project.

The Report recommends the following:

7.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

The participating parcels were all determined to represent vernacular cultural heritage landscapes that are characterized by a homogeneous land use pattern of pastures, agricultural fields, woodlots and associated farmsteads. Due to the typical nature of the landscape, cultural heritage value or interest was not identified according to O. Reg. 09/06.

A total of 81 participating properties were identified as containing structures over the age of 40 years. These properties contained a total of 118 potential built heritage resources; 66 residences, 51 barns and one institutional structure. Of these potential resources, 89 (42 houses, 46 barns and one institutional building) were identified as having cultural heritage value or interest according to O. Reg. 09/06. No further mitigation is recommended as it was determined that there are no anticipated direct or indirect impacts as a result of the undertaking.

The recommendations contained in this report are based on current provincial regulations and guidelines pertaining to the approvals process for wind energy projects in Ontario.

Based on the information contained in the Report, the Ministry is satisfied that the heritage assessment process and reporting are consistent with the applicable heritage assessment requirements established in s. 23 of O. Reg. 359/09. Please note that the Ministry makes no representation or warranty as to the completeness, accuracy or quality of the heritage assessment report (please see Note 1).

This letter does not waive any requirements under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

This letter does not constitute approval of the renewable energy project. Approvals or licences for the project may be required under other statutes and regulations. Please ensure that you obtain all required approvals and/or licences.

Please ensure that the proponent is aware that, if new information or substantive project changes arise after issuance of this letter, the applicant should discuss them with you to determine if any additional assessment or reporting is required. If additional reporting or revisions are required, they should be submitted to the Ministry for review. Upon completion of that review, the Ministry will determine if any revisions to the content of this letter are required.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Paula Kulpa

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