

February 12th, 2018

To;

Honorable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario

Legislative Building

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Premier Wynne

As spokesperson for Water Wells First I am writing to you today to ask for your immediate intervention to prevent a Human Rights violation. I am asking you to intervene to prevent families from being forced onto visibly polluted water wells by the Chatham-Kent Public Health Authorities and the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change.

I am asking you to direct the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change to request the North Kent Wind company to maintain supplying temporary water to families who experienced sediment release during pile driving construction of the windfarm and now consequently have their drinking water supply disrupted.

I ask that you direct the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care to conduct a full and proper Health Hazard Investigation of the contaminating sediments now entering these water wells before any of these families are forced to return to the area's aquifer for use.

It is critical the water in the area's aquifer in North Chatham-Kent including the sediments now polluting the aquifer receive proper toxicological investigation to determine what chronic risk exposures of using well water with elevated levels of Black Shale particles can have. Water Wells First investigations have found substantial elevations in the number of Black shale particles in the contaminated wells since pile driving activities of the North Kent Wind company.

Ontario families have a right to clean and safe water sources. The Ontario Health Prevention and Promotion Act must be used to determine the Health Hazard Risk before returning these families onto these polluted water wells. Attached is a study that concludes Black Shale is a Public Health concern.

As spokesperson for Water Wells First I meet you in July of 2017 at the Chatham-Kent Museum and discussed with you how the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change is not conducting a proper investigation into the release of sediments into North Chatham-Kent water wells. The MOECC in releasing its findings for well interference during North Kent Wind's construction last week has taken no proper scientific investigation whatsoever into the nature of the polluting sediments or risk they pose.

The MOECC relies on guidance from the local Chatham-Kent Public Health Unit that conducted no testing of the polluting sediments nor provided a Medical Literature Review to substantiate the safety of the polluting sediments. Please do not allow Rural Ontario families to drink from visibly polluted wells.

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