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News Release

EcoGrove voluntarily following county's stricter guidelines

EcoEnergy voluntarily adhering to new setback guidelines.

FREEPORT, IL — Sept. 28, 2007 — EcoEnergy President Shawn Gaffney announced today that his company and Acciona, partners in developing and building the EcoGrove wind energy facility outside Lena, will voluntarily follow Stephenson County's new and more stringent setback guidelines for placing wind turbines.

"The Stephenson County Board recently passed stricter regulations for future wind energy projects by requiring a greater distance between a turbine and a neighboring home," Gaffney said. "These new setbacks are significantly larger, often times double or more, than under the previous rules. Although the permitted EcoGrove project exceeded all previous setback requirements for the turbine locations, the project's turbine locations do not in all cases exceed the new requirements. To voluntarily comply, the EcoGrove project will relocate and in some cases eliminate turbine sites."

"In talking to landowners and neighbors of the EcoGrove facility, we've discovered that small adjustments in where we site each turbine can make a significant difference to our neighbors," Gaffney said. "Therefore, if it's possible for us to adjust a planned site to make sure that it's in the best possible spot for a neighbor, then we're going to make that change."

Setbacks in turbine siting help to minimize the structure's impact on neighbors. How far away a turbine is placed from a home has an effect not only on the view but also serves to protect the family's quiet. The efficiency and technological advancement of the

Acciona turbines being used by EcoGrove combined with EcoEnergy's generous setback guidelines, means that sound levels from the turbines won't exceed 45 decibels at residences neighboring EcoGrove project – this is less than the background noise in an average home.

EcoEnergy representatives are speaking with neighboring families throughout the planned EcoGrove project area to work out specific siting details.

EcoEnergy is an alternative energy solutions developer and a unit of the Morse Group, headquartered in Freeport. The Morse Group has been in business for more than 60 years and serves clients in the electrical, energy and construction markets across the United States. For more information on EcoEnergy, visit www.EcoEnergyllc.com. For more information on wind energy, visit www.ifnotwind.org.

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