### **Decommissioning Plan Report Summary**

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Varna Wind Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of NextEra Energy Canada, ULC (NextEra) is proposing to construct a wind energy project in the Municipalities of Bluewater and Huron East in Huron County, Ontario (see map on back page). The project will be referred to as the Bluewater Wind Energy Centre (the "Project") and will be located on private lands in the vicinity of the shoreline of Lake Huron. While NextEra is seeking a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) for 41 wind turbines, only 37 are proposed to be constructed for the Project.

The purpose of the Decommissioning Plan Report is to describe all activities involved in dismantling or decommissioning the Project at the end of the operations phase. The report also explains that the Project owner will restore the land and manage excess water or waste.







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#### **DECOMMISSIONING PLAN OVERVIEW**

The anticipated life of the Project is approximately 30 years. Decommissioning typically occurs following the operations phase.

At the end of the Project life, the wind turbines may be 're-powered', meaning turbine components could be replaced to extend the life of the Project and delay any decommissioning activities. Alternatively, the wind turbines may be decommissioned. Project decommissioning will follow the Ontario Health and Safety Act along with any applicable municipal, provincial and federal regulations and standards.

The following components will be removed during dismantling:

- 1. Turbines;
- 2. Overhead lines and poles; and,
- 3. Transformer substation.

### RESTORATION OF LAND AND WATER

All areas, including the access roads, transformer pads and crane pads will be restored as much as practical to their original condition with native soils and seeding.

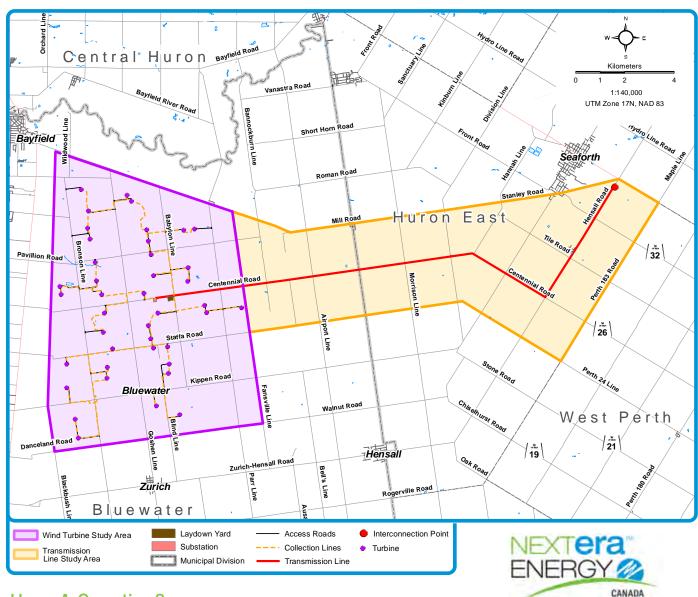


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### **Have A Question?**

We hope you find this Plain Language Summary helpful. In case you would like additional information or have any questions, please contact us directly:

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