

## CUMMINGS WESTLAKE LLC

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Dr. Billy McLaughlin  
Walcott Independent School District  
4275 Hwy 214  
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### **Re: Chapter 313 Job Waiver Request**

Dear Dr. McLaughlin,

Broadview Energy JN LLC (BEJN) requests that the Walcott Independent School District's Board of Trustees waive the job requirement provision as allowed by Section 313.025(f-1) of the tax code. This waiver would be based on the school district's board findings that the jobs creation requirement exceeds the industry standard for the number of employees reasonably necessary for the operation of the facility of the property owner that is described in the application.

BEJN requests that the Walcott Independent School District makes such a finding and waive the job creation requirement for 10 permanent jobs. In line with industry standards for job requirements, BEJN has committed to create 2 total jobs for the project, both of which will be in Walcott ISD.

Wind projects create a large number of full and part-time, but temporary jobs during the construction phase of the project, but require a relatively small number of highly skilled technicians to operate and maintain the project after commercial operation commences.

The number of jobs specified in this application is in line with the industry standards for a wind farm of this scope and size. The industry standard for employment is typically one full-time employee for approximately every 10 - 15 turbines. This number may vary depending on the operations and maintenance requirements of the turbines selected as well as the support and technical assistance offered by the turbine manufacturer. This is evidenced by previously filed limitation agreement applications by wind developers who also requested a waiver of the job requirements.

Sincerely,



J. Weston Jackson  
Partner