

16. WIND ENERGY

We support:

1. Wind energy generation as a component of the energy portfolio of the U.S.
2. Continuation of the current property tax assessment method and rate for commercial wind turbines in Illinois.
3. The establishment of statewide standards for commercial wind energy conversion systems that provide adequate protection of public health and safety, protect private property rights, and allow for reasonable development of commercial wind energy conversion system projects. Such standards should include, but are not limited to, property setbacks, other siting issues, performance bonds, and ensuring adequate funds are in place for decommissioning.