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Wind in the Woods Farm Plans to Erect 10 kW Wind Turbine

Auburn Township, OH—Wind in the Woods Farm, in Geauga County’s Auburn Township, began operation in 1996 to breed, train, sell and show purebred and Half Arabian horses. This past winter, Wind in the Wood Farm hired Expedite Renewable Energy, a Cleveland, Ohio-based company, to perform a feasibility study to determine the best renewable energy project for its site. It was determined that a wind turbine system would be the best fit and investment in a 10 kW system would provide a good return on investment and generate the power it needs.

Expedite Renewable Energy is partnering with SUREnergy, a Sandusky, Ohio-based company, to move this project forward. “We will be submitting the Ohio Department of Development Advanced Energy Fund grant next week and applying for the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Rural Energy Development Assist grant next month,” said Stefanie Penn Spear, president of Expedite Renewable Energy. “If the grants are awarded, we will be erecting the turbine this fall.”

Wind in the Woods Farm is an early adopter of wind energy and is showing that it is viable for businesses to generate their own electricity and rely on cleaner, renewable sources of power. “This project is exactly what the region needs to grow the green energy economy and put people to work in the renewable energy industry,” Spear said.

Adopting and investing in sustainable practices is nothing new for the Joneses. They grow their own annual hay supply and food, and use shredded recycled paper to provide a biodegradable bedding. They have expanded their business offerings to include pony parties, therapeutic riding for developmentally-handicapped youngsters, riding lessons and summer camps.

For more information on Wind in the Woods Farm, visit www.wiwfarm.com.

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