

ELECTROMAGNETIC INTERFERENCE PROVISIONS

- A. Applicant shall prepare an Interference Analysis
- B. Analysis shall be performed at applicant's expense
- C. Analysis shall conform to County's established guidelines/scope
- D. Completed analysis shall be provided to following parties of interest:
 - (1) Office of Emergency Management
 - (2) Department of Public Safety
 - (3) All municipalities within five (5) mile radius
 - (4) All Emergency responders within one (1) mile radius (including Police, Fire, Ambulance and Paramedic)
 - (5) Maryland State Police
 - (6) Maryland State Police Medevac
 - (7) Allegany County Sheriff's Office
 - (8) Owners of all telecommunications towers within five (5) mile radius
 - (9) All radio stations operating within County or within five (5) mile radius if located outside the County
 - (10) All radio, television, or satellite transmission entities within on-the-ground facilities (including transmission towers) in Allegany County
 - (11) All telecommunications entities (including wireless transmission and receiving companies and cellular telephone services) licensed to operate within the state of Maryland
 - (12) All television stations operating within the County or within a five (5) mile radius if located outside the County.
 - (13) FCC
 - (14) FAA
 - (15) All residents or businesses located within a five (5) mile radius
- E. The applicant shall be required to conform/adhere to conditions/stipulations of analysis and shall further be required to satisfactorily address any problems or concerns identified in the report.
- F. All entities identified in Item D above shall be provided 90 calendar days to review the Interference Analysis and provide comments to Planning Commission
- G. The Planning Commission shall hold a Hearing at least 90 days after the issuance of the Interference Analysis
- H. The Planning Commission shall have the right to impose supplemental conditions and/or require the elimination or reconfiguration of all or any part of a proposed project on the basis of testimony received at above-referenced Hearing when such testimony is provided by one of the identified entities in Item D above and is accompanied by supporting data.
- I. The applicant shall be required to conform/adhere to conditions/stipulations imposed by the Planning & Zoning Commission as a direct consequence of the Public Hearing referenced in Item G above.
- J. Prior to receiving authorization, applicant shall post bond in the amount of \$_____ to cover the cost of preparation of subsequent Interference Analyses. Any such analysis shall be prepared under the direction and management of the County. The applicant shall conform/observe all recommendations for interference reduction and/or elimination, as identified in subsequent Interference Analysis. Failure to do so within a reasonable period of time shall result in the forfeiture of project bond and the suspension of all County-issued permit authorizations.
- K. During the post-construction phase, interference with Public Safety or Emergency Management communications shall constitute sufficient justification for temporary (partial and/or total) project shut down.
- L. Claims of interference from three (3) or more of the entities identified in Item D above shall constitute sufficient justification to initiate the provisions of Item J above.
- M. Repeated claims of interference from two (2) or more of the entities identified in Item D above shall constitute sufficient justification to initiate the provisions of Item J above and shall constitute sufficient justification for temporary (partial and/or total) project shut down.
- N. All Wind Energy Systems shall comply with FCC Interference Regulation, Title 47, Chapter 1.

De-Commissioning Bonding Requirements for Industrial WECS

No permit for erection or construction and no application for Final Plat Approval shall be executed until the applicant shall have submitted a bond equal to one hundred fifty thousand (\$150,000.00) dollars for each individual WECS. The bond shall be held by the Allegany County Finance Department until such time as the structure is removed at the applicant's expense or is utilized by the County to remove the structure. The bond shall be utilized as surety in the event of noncompliance on the part of the applicant, or in the event that the unit ceases operation for a period of time greater than ninety (90) days. If the unit is sold, the bond will be released only after the new owner shall have posted a new bond with the Finance Department. The County reserves the right to re-assess bond amounts in the event of a transfer of unit ownership.