

# LETTER: People waking up to dangers of wind turbines

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To the Editor:

I recently read that up to 30,000 additional wind turbines are planned to be built in the upper Midwest by 2030.

In the 1950s, families of tobacco users started suing tobacco companies claiming smoking caused lung cancer. The lawsuits kept coming, until in 1998 the tobacco companies agreed to pay \$206 billion in settlement.

Also in the 1950s, 2-4D and 2,4,5-T were being developed and tested by our military. That resulted in Agent Orange, a chemical used to kill the foliage during the Vietnam War. In 1984, a large group of veterans were awarded \$180 million from a lawsuit.

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Asbestos insulation was used in homes from the early 1900s to the mid 1980s. Since 1966, lawsuits were filed against Johns-Manville, a large manufacturer of the product. In 1982, Johns-Manville filed for bankruptcy.

In each case, the plaintiffs suffered from asbestosis, pneumoconiosis or mesothelioma. Thirty years ago, the EPA determined the weed killer Roundup might cause cancer. Six years later, the agency reversed itself. This year, an agency from the World Health Organization has declared that glyphosate, the active ingredient in Roundup, "probably" causes cancer in people. And the list goes on: pelvic/bladder mesh used in surgery, GMO corn, legalized marijuana and scores of "safe" pharmaceuticals.

In each example, the manufacturers, government, the American Medical Association and more all lied about any potential danger of their product for financial gain. People are now waking up to the health hazards of wind turbines.

The book "Wind Turbine Syndrome" by Dr. Nina Pierpont explains how turbine infrasound and low frequency noise create symptoms such as the inability to sleep, headaches, nausea, depression, dizziness and anxiety.

Legal action against wind farms has already been taken in Wisconsin and Michigan. Of course the wind developers deny it, the AWEA, the politicians, lobbyists, big banks and foreign corporations that collect the billions in the production tax credit deny it. If wind farms continue to be built while denying health effects to the residents that live nearby, it is just a matter of time until this problem shows up in our court rooms.

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