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SUBJECT - OUTSIDE WOODBURNERS / REGULATION THERE OF.

I AM WRITING THE E.Q.C. BOARD ON THE ISSUE OF REGULATION HEARINGS YOU ARE HAVING ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT. I LIVE IN A RURAL AREA WHERE THERE ARE FARMS AND FAMILY DWELLINGS THAT ARE IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO EACH OTHER. THERE WERE HEARINGS HELD IN TWO OF THE LOCAL TOWNSHIPS, WEST BUFFALO AND LEWIS IN OCTOBER OF 2008 ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT. THE TOWNSHIPS WERE GOING TO TRY TO PASS AN INSPECTION (WITH FEE \$75,000) AND A YEARLY RE-INSPECTION FEE ON THESE OUTSIDE WOODBURNERS; IN BOTH TOWNSHIPS. THE QUESTIONS WERE BROUGHT UP WHETHER EITHER AT THE COUNTY LEVEL, OR TOWNSHIP LEVEL; IF THERE HAD BEEN ANY COMPLAINTS WITH THESE TYPE UNITS. THE ANSWER WAS NO IN BOTH TOWNSHIP MEETINGS. A VOTE WAS TAKEN AT THESE TWO TOWNSHIPS MEETINGS AND IN W. BUFFALO IT WAS 38 VOTES AGAINST LOCAL REGULATION 0 FOR. IN LIME STONE IT WAS 52 VOTES AGAINST THE REG. AND 0 FOR. I AM AGAINST STATE, COUNTY, OR LOCAL LEVEL REGULATION ON THIS ISSUE. THE FARMERS IN THIS STATE ARE UNDER ENOUGH MONETARY STRAIN, AND ARE TRYING TO KEEP THEIR HEADS ABOVE WATER. THEY HAVE REGULATED MILK PRICING (IN FAVOR OF THE MIDDLE MEN AND PROCESSORS OF THE MILK). THEY GET BIG MONEY ALONG WITH THE STORES WHO SELL IT; AND THE FARMER IS LIMITED BY OVER REG. BY BIG GOVERNMENT. THE OUTDOOR WOODBURNERS ARE THE ONLY WAY FOR THE FARMERS TO HELP CUT THE ENERGY COST TO TRY TO SAVE THEIR FARMS. I GET THE FEELING THIS IS JUST ANOTHER "CASH COW" FOR THE GOVERNMENT ENTITIES INVOLVED. THEY ARE LOOKING FOR WAYS TO MAKE MORE USELESS LAWS,

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AND TO JUST PROMOTE NEW MONIES INTO THE TAX FUNDS
ACCOUNTS WITH THIS "CASH COW" PROJECT. I SIDE WITH
THE FARMERS ON THIS ISSUE, AND ANY OTHER CITIZEN
WHO NEEDS TO USE WOOD, AND WOOD USE STOVES SINCE
P.P.L. IS BEING DE-REGD AND RAISING PRICES. AND GAS
DRIVERS ARE BEING DE-REG AND GOING TO BE DRIVING
EVERYWHERE, WITH NO PROTECTION TO THE WATERSHEDS
OR UNDERGROUND ENVIRONMENTS. WHAT'S GOOD FOR
THE BIG ENERGY AND BIG BUSINESS, IS ALSO GOOD FOR
THE LITTLE SINGLE FARM ENTITIES, NEED TO REGULATION,
NO TO FEES AND TAXES FOR THE EVERY DAY CITIZEN
AND SMALL FARMER TRYING TO SURVIVE THIS MISS-
MANAGED, BY DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS, ECONOMIC
CALAMITY WE ARE GOING THROUGH.

you HAVE my
OPINION

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