

VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER RESOLUTION NUMBER 243 REQUESTING A FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT BE DONE ON THE PROPOSED NORTH BREEZE DAIRY OPERATION IN THE TOWN OF LITTLE BLACK, TAYLOR COUNTY, WI, AND ALL LAND AND COMMUNITIES INCLUDED WITH ITS OPERATION INCLUDING THE VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER AND CLARK COUNTY, WISCONSIN

WHERE AS, North Breeze Dairy has proposed a 4000 cow/5600 AU (animal unit) dairy operation in the Town of Little Black, Taylor County, and including other lands in its operation by the Village of Dorchester, Clark County, Wisconsin; and

WHERE AS, This dairy operation will produce an estimated 512,000 pounds of untreated waste per day. This large amount of manure will threaten the quality of groundwater and surface watersheds in the immediate area and the extended areas with other land being used for its operation and waste spreading in unknown locations and quantities in both Taylor and Clark, and likely Marathon Counties, WI; and

WHERE AS, This dairy operation will consume an estimated 200,000 gallons of groundwater per day and pose a threat to existing and future well capacity of the Village of Stetsonville and residential wells, as well as, area communities already struggling with adequate future water supply to meet growth and their comprehensive planning. It will also pose a threat to natural springs and wetlands in the area; and

WHERE AS, This dairy operation will emit high levels of ammonia and other hazardous substances potentially affecting the quality of life for nearby residents of the immediate site and extended area with other land being used in its operation and waste disposal in Clark County, including bordering the Village of Dorchester; and

WHERE AS, The land supporting this dairy operation could potentially result in herbicides, pesticides and fertilizers affecting ground water and quality of wet lands of which the potential impact should be studied; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Village of Dorchester requests a full Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) be prepared by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. The Village of Dorchester also requests a formal public hearing following the completion of the EIS. Said EIS shall be made available to the public prior to the scheduled hearing to be held at a place designated by the Village of Dorchester. The Village of Dorchester supports the wishes of the Little Black Town Board that no permits be issued or construction be commenced until the decision of the hearings is announced:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a precedent was established by the WI DNR when it required an EIS for the Rosendale Dairy operation in Fond du Lac County, WI.

DATED this 4th Day of March, 2009,


Richard Hunsader, Village of Dorchester President


Judy Robida, Village of Dorchester Clerk