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After a lot of research I have learned that you can buy grid-tie turbine inverters that produce high levels of power up to quite high wind velocities, but at the onset of my project Bergey offered the only 10 kW system sponsored by NYSERDA incentives. If I had it to do over I might have selected a Fortis 10 kW turbine (made in Europe) now offered under the NYSERDA program. I have compiled a lot of useful information about small wind turbines (independent test results, unpublished NREL studies, and some of my own) and published them on a University of Alberta web page as a public service: SWIEP for Small Wind Information Exchange Program. I encourage readers who own turbines to contribute their positive or negative experiences to a Yahoo Discussion Group (search for SWIEP). Anyone may join and/or contribute to the SWIEP discussion group. A compilation of comments from turbine owners will be summarized on the SWIEP web site. I hope this will be of use to others who might want to buy a wind turbine, but the SWIEP site will be useful ONLY if we get input regarding success stories as well as problem stories. GOTO www.ualberta.ca/~mtyree/swiep