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Dear Sir/madam,

I'm writing to you on behalf of our family-owned pastoral company (Haggarty Pastoral Co). We own 'Yarrowonga' 336 Bulls Rd which is a direct neighbour to 'Tamarang' where the proposed solar farm and battery storage facility will be.

We STRONGLY OBJECT to this project for many reasons. First and foremost, we purchased this property almost 6 years ago in a rural agricultural area, not a renewable energy or industrial zone. The impacts on our agricultural business and our way of life are enormous. We have been offered an insulting compensation deal by the owners (green pulse / bright path renewables) of the project to keep quiet and waive any liability against them that may arise during the construction process and the ongoing operation of the solar and battery storage farm right next door. Not to mention the environmental impact this will have on the area.

The only access to our property and home is through 'Tamarang' as we live at the end of Bulls Road (public Road).

We have a child that catches the bus for school at the Garoo Rd which is also going to be impacted. So not only do we have to traverse through the solar farm we have to deal with the huge increase of traffic on Garoo Rd where the bus stop is.

Our two houses (family occupied) are only meters from the boundary to 'Tamarang'. The noise and dust during construction are going to be extremely imposing not only to us but also our cattle and horses. We hold accreditations with local beef abattoirs that have strict limitations, during the accreditation process there was no impact from a solar and battery farm. If this project goes ahead, we will need to re visit all of this and potentially lose our accreditations which could potentially impact the viability of our operation.

The visual aspect in our beautiful valley is going to be destroyed during and once construction is complete.

We have also been told that there will be no access granted if there is a fire outbreak on 'Tamarang' to prevent it from spreading onto neighbouring properties. So, we will just have to sit and wait for a fire to cross into our property to be able to put it out.

It has been proven that solar and battery farms are extremely susceptible to extreme fires once a fire has started, so by the time it reaches our property it could be catastrophic. We are not equipped to handle this, nor should we be responsible to be. We have great experience in grass fires and our equipment is quite adequate for this. But we are not equipped to handle a fire that is fuelled by the minerals and components used in the makeup of batteries and solar panels. They are going to emit extremely toxic fumes and immensely increase the intensity of fires. Also remember our only access in or out is through the proposed solar farm.

We have also been told that we will have to check and potentially increase our insurance cover due to the project.

Everything we are being told is that we have to accommodate this massive change. Why is it our responsibility?

Not one neighbouring property holder wants this to happen, yet we are the ones that are being bulldozed into complying for them.

Tarek Alsampaile (Director) has told me himself that "as a person I fully understand where you are coming from, as a company director we just need to move forward"  
So basically, they came to hear what we had to say and ignored it anyway.

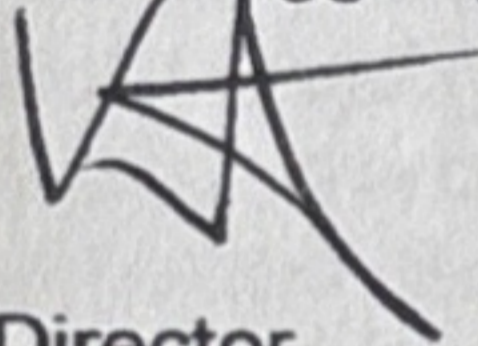
This company needs to be held accountable for every effect that this project is going to have on us as the neighbours and also the environment.

The huge stress this has caused on all of us is unexplainable, the mental effects are massive and the detrimental impact it is having on everything we have worked so hard for is daylight robbery.

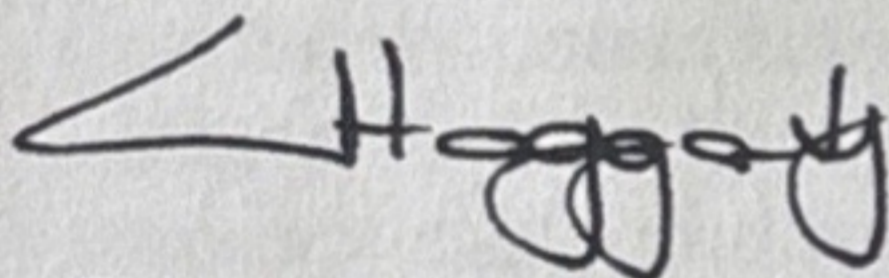
We truly hope that this isn't just pushed aside like every other letter to ministers and this company has been thus far.

Regards  
Haggarty Pastoral Company

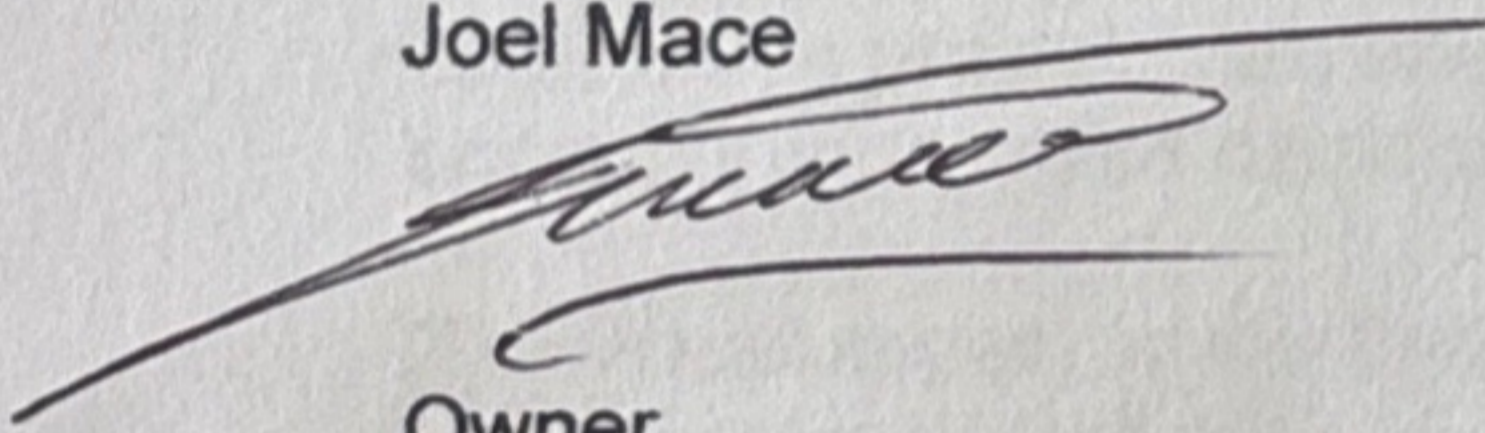
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