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To Whom it may concern,  
RE: WINTERBOURNE WIND FARM APPLICATION NO.SSD-10471

I am making a submission in **support** of the Winterbourne Wind Farm because I think:

- The Winterbourne Wind farm development is a critical link in the future of renewable energy production in Australia and even more importantly, the New England REZ.
  - This development located in the Walcha Shire will provide a significant 700MW of green electricity to aid in the production in what will be our and our children's future of green and sustainable energy.
  - Walcha is going to benefit from the project in so many ways, I believe these include:
    - Increased revenue to local businesses through a sizable increase in the number of workers and contractors present during and post construction.
    - The improvement of services to the Walcha community due to the increased revenue
    - Walcha community support groups such as Rotary, Lions, Religious/Church, Sporting & Schooling will benefit from significant increases in their donations and sponsorships/traineeships as businesses prosper.
  - The Walcha Council is in a dire financial position with a large debt and growing costs to provide critical services within budget. The windfarm development is going to ease some of the burden on council as it maintains significant portions of local roads over the life of the project.
  - Walcha is a small country town that is unable to offer broad or secure education and employment opportunities to the younger generations. As I have grown up in Walcha and predominantly lived here for 44 years, I have seen so many young capable people leave the town in pursuit of a better education or employment as we simply can NOT provide these opportunities on scale. I believe if the windfarm is approved that this will drastically improve this scenario for our struggling youngsters and employer's.
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