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Mr Iwan Davies Director - energy assessments, planning and assessment Department of planning and environment.

RE: SSD No 10471 Winterbourne Wind Farm

Dear Sir,

I strongly object to the proposed wind turbines planned for the Walcha district on many grounds, chief of which is the anticipated biodiversity risk to our pristine region. The biodiversity offset scheme suggested makes no more sense to me than airlines buying carbon credits to offset their polluting trail. Dollars will not protect the rare or endangered species that live in this area.

Furthermore, from the research I have done on renewable energy sources I have come to the conclusion that wind turbines do more damage to the environment and leave a far bigger carbon footprint during construction and decommissioning than the alternatives. After all Australia is not short of uninhabited areas ideal for the far less polluting solar farms

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Yours Sincerely,

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