

## **Submission – withhold Personal Details**

### **State Significant Development: Paling Yards Wind Farm**

**Date:** 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2023

#### **Applicant Details (no need to add any information here):**

Name of Applicant: Paling Yards Wind Farm

Application Number: SSD-29064077

#### **Have you made a reportable political donation?**

Please circle:                      Yes                      **No**

*If you answer is **Yes**, please complete Political Donations Disclosure Statement provided separately.*

#### **What is your View on the Paling Yards Proposal?**

Please circle one of the following:

- I support the project.
- I'm providing comments.
- **I object to the project.**

**Your Comments (please restrict to 10,000 characters):**

My business relies heavily on road transport to the south - Goulburn via Paling Yards - and through Oberon to Bathurst and beyond. Disruption to deliveries and stock movements would be a major impediment to our everyday management. In reality, the heavy truck movements along Abercrombie Road would also be a threat to our safety. My wife travels along those roads for work and can ill-afford hold-ups. Once again, safety risks are a concern.

I believe that wind farms are not efficient providers of energy. Those who work to maintain them say that every time the wind dies down and the rotors become still, massive drains on the grid are required for start-up. This is ridiculously inefficient.

I also believe that, contrary to prolific propaganda, these ugly monsters are NOT good for the environment. The talk about recycling of the massive amounts of concrete, steel and components is over-simplified. No one speaks of the resources - both fiscal, in relation to energy consumption, and the very complexity of the process - involved in recycling of the towers. Proponents also fail to mention that the blades are not recyclable. A bit of an oversight!

Wildlife is also threatened by the intrusion of these gargantuan, unnatural, noisy cancers on the landscape. Birds will be battered and breeding will be impaired by the noise. It is well-documented that the noise generated by wind turbines causes mental health issues in humans. Our native animals may well suffer similar effects!

Abercrombie Road, despite expensive tax-payer-funded sign-posting to state otherwise, is currently a disgrace. The road would need MASSIVE improvements along its entirety. For this reason alone, Paling Yards is an unsuitable site for wind towers.

Disruption to business during construction, the negative impact on wildlife, ecological devastation and the state of the road are just some of the reasons that this project must not go ahead.

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