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Dear Sir/Madam,

SUBMISSION IN RESPONSE TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT OF THE HUMELINK PROJECT – APPLICATION NO SSI-36656827

I hereby submit this response to the HumeLink Environmental Impact Statement report.

I object to the HumeLink proposal on a number of grounds, as follows:

- Health concerns with electromagnetic fields from overhead lines.
 - Increased risk of cancers from proximity to overhead powerlines
 - The constant noise generated by these lines will negatively impact my wellbeing
 - Walking under and near these lines will be a stressor and will deter me from pursuing physical activity
 - Working in proximity to the lines will be unavoidable and severely distressing
 - No credible information has been provided on the impact of these lines on the stock that will be grown in the vicinity. in the EU, beef can't be sold for human consumption if grown in a 400m radius. This proposed route is through family farms but Transgrid has been silent on this issue
- Lack of transparency about the route.
 - The map provided by Transgrid is unclear. Existing houses (neighbours) are not shown.
- Bushfire danger
 - These lines will increase the likelihood of catastrophic bushfires. Fire is already a high stressor in the area. It should not be exacerbated by corporate greed.
- Detrimental to the property value
 - These lines will be a scar through family farms, impacting negatively on the value of the land and destroying agricultural capacity. They are an eyesore and should be put underground as they have been when they approach the outskirts of Sydney.
- Biosecurity
 - Being prime agricultural land, imposing the construction of these lines will increase the likelihood of a biosecurity risk being introduced that may have long lasting and far reaching repercussions on the land and livelihoods.
- The consultation process has been very disappointing: Transgrid is perceived as arrogant and dishonest. The costings for going underground and the "expert" opinions re: bushfire danger, have no credibility.
- I acknowledge and accept the Department of Planning and Environment's disclaimer and declaration.
- Declaration of political donations: No.

Yours sincerely,

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