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Dear Sir/Madam

Submission Bowmans Creek Windfarm - SSD-10315

I have made no political donations in the past 2 years.

I provide a submission in support of the Bowmans Creek Wind Farm Proposal

I support the proposed Bowmans Creek Wind Farm proposal for the following reasons:

Community benefits

- Expected to generate approximately 150 jobs during the 18-24 month construction period and 10-15 for ongoing operation.
- A major economic boost for local and regional services, contractors and businesses – with an estimated injection of \$114M into the regional economy during construction.
- A proposed community fund to receive \$3,000 per turbine per annum, amounting to \$180,000 each year for the 25-year life of the project, to be invested into community projects and initiatives.
- Lease payments to wind farm hosts and financial agreements with neighbouring landowners.
- Significant upgrades to the surrounding road network including Hebden Road, Scrumlo Road, Albano Road and Bowmans Creek Road.

Climate and environment

- The project is expected to generate enough power for 145,000 homes, reducing annual CO2 emissions by 810,000 tonnes per year.
- The land is used predominantly for cattle grazing and the wind farm footprint is mostly across cleared grasslands or open woodlands. The avoidance, management and offsetting measures proposed for the project are likely to result in an improvement to the area's biodiversity over the long term.

Growth in NSW Renewable Energy Capacity

- Located in a high wind area close to existing strong transmission infrastructure, so likely to be operational sooner.
- Supply cost-effective renewable energy and place downward pressure on wholesale electricity prices.
- Help to meet forecasted demand with clean energy, as thermal generators such as Liddell Power Station are retired.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alan Henderson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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