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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Re: HILLS OF GOLD WIND FARM APPLICATION NO. SSD 9679

- . I am attaching my submission to the above mentioned development application.
- . I hereby declare that I object to the Hills of Gold Wind Farm proposal ID no. SSD 9679.
- . I have not made any reportable political donations in the previous 2 years.


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Signature

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SUBURB: Maroubra NSW

REASON FOR OBJECTION:

The township of Nundle is situated in a most idyllic location being quite some distance from anywhere. Living on a main road in Sydney with constant traffic at all hours of the day and night, the quietness of Nundle provides a great avenue for peaceful relaxation. This would be thoroughly destroyed if this proposal were to be approved.

Not only would the huge increase in vehicular traffic significantly impact the peace and quiet of the town and surrounding areas but, once operational, the constant humming of the wind turbines would completely override the current peacefulness, not to mention the health issues that so often accompany wind turbines located in areas near people's homes, especially the creation of respiratory health issues in young children.

It is no coincidence that the proponents of wind farms never propose their establishment within their own residential environment. Even Bob Brown complained when a windfarm development was proposed near his location in Tasmania.

Then there is the issue of what happens to these huge turbines once they reach the end of their usefulness which is generally considered to be twenty years. Will the proponents of the application undertake, legally, to remove the huge towers or will they leave them in situ to rot and rust and allow the resulting contaminants to flow into the pristine Peel River, creeks and farmlands.

If wind farms are to be truly considered a source of cheap energy, why do they require such significant subsidies from government, subsidies that ultimately get added to the electricity bills of every household and business in the State. And given the relatively short life span of wind turbines (twenty years as mentioned above), each new windfarm development calls for further such subsidies.



But to return to Nundle specifically. Why risk destroying a unique location for such relatively short-term gain, especially as in a state the size of NSW there must be other locations at which a development such as this one could be undertaken without the impact that this proposal would cause?

As King Arthur sang in "Camelot":

" In short there's simply not
A more congenial spot
For happily-ever-altering than here
In ~~Camelot~~" Nundle

