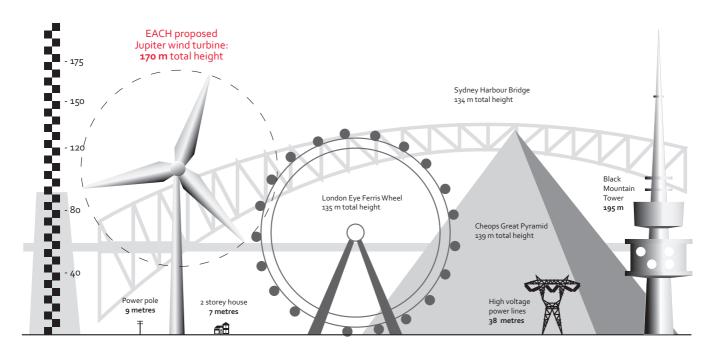
## **Objection to proposed Jupiter Wind Farm Project**

My partner and I moved to the Mount Fairy area in September 2001. We lived in a tent while we built our own house and have spent many years establishing a self-sufficient lifestyle in our quiet, rural area. We are now a family of five and wish to continue enjoying this existence in peace, free from urban structures and imposing industrial plant.

I do not object to green power in principal; our own home is entirely off-grid and has been so for the 15 years we have lived here. My objection is primarily in relation to the grand scale and the unreasonable proximity to non-participating homes.

Each of these structures is proposed to stand at 173 metres tall. Some time ago I created this diagram below to illustrate just how tall this is in comparative terms.



I'm infuriated that <u>6</u> of these gargantuan turbines are proposed to be within 3km of our home.

With three children under 5 years old, I am legitimately worried about the regular reporting of adverse health effects of this technology including headaches, dizziness, sleep disturbances and reduced quality of life, to name a few. Studies about the effects of wind turbines continue to be inconclusive, which is concerning at best.

Lifestyle blocks predominantly surround the properties proposing to host the wind farm. The rapidly growing population of the area mostly comprises people seeking to live in an unspoiled natural environment. These dominating structures are not at all harmonious with the local rural landscape, and it is a fact that they would have a negative effect on neighbouring property values, for which there would be little to no compensation.

This part of the Southern tablelands in particular has a fragile ecosystem. The high wind erosion and mineral-poor soil make it susceptible to permanent damage if subjected to the heavy machinery traffic required to construct this plant.

I am also concerned about the many endangered species, in particular the Glossy Black Cockatoos we have been fortunate enough to see many times on our property. Their habitat cannot be unaffected by these imposing structures.

My fear is that EPYC's project will transform our picturesque country environment into an industrial site that will adversely impact my family and neighbours. I hope the Department seriously considers all of the negative impacts this development would impose on our community.

Sincerely,

H Elliott