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RE: Bango Wind Farm SSD 6686

<u>Attention</u>: Executive Director - Resource Assessments & Business Systems.

I am aware of the proposal to construct up to 122 wind turbines, in yet another development on the Great Dividing Range near the village of Rye Park and the town of Boorowa.

I again have many concerns about this proposal but am particularly concerned about the health implications, both physical and mental, for people living within at least a 10km radius of the proposed site. There are too many conflicting reports, and too many incidences of poor health in wind turbine areas to be able to ignore this issue.

Wind power developers, CWP Renewables included, continue to quote a study conducted by the NRMHC "There is no causal link between wind turbines and health impacts on human beings". CWP Renewables need to read this report in full, particularly where it also says there is enough evidence to warrant further investigation. This developer, along with the assessor Sonus Pty Ltd, continue to ignore the presence of infrasound and its effects on people, stating on page 29 of the Noise Assessment 'infrasound from wind farms is not required to be assessed in contemporary standards and guidelines used by Australian and International authorities. Sonus do not see the need to assess infrasound even when there is clear evidence from experts such as Dr Steve Cooper that prove otherwise.

There has been a distinct lack of transparency at all stages of the proposal for uninvolved residents in the area, both in Rye Park and particularly in Boorowa. There was one information day held in Boorowa in 2012, and very little information circulated in the Boorowa Township, even though it seems the majority of the traffic is to be travelling through Boorowa during the construction period. The increased traffic on the Lachlan Valley Way will increase the 'black spot' reputation it already has, and I fear there will be even more of our young people killed on that road due to the inadequacy of the road to take what it does now, let alone what it will need to take in the future.

The communities of Rye Park and Boorowa have been divided by this proposed development, and will continue to be divided by the Rye Park, Yass and Rugby proposals which together will create a combined development of several hundred wind turbines of up to 200 metres in height, and a construction period of many years. The visual, noise and traffic impacts will be alarming!

I request that serious consideration be given by the Department of Planning and Environment of the issues raised in this submission, and that the Department <u>will not allow approval</u> of this proposal.

Yours Sincerely, Mrs Margaret Arnott