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FLYERS CREEK MP08-0252 WIND FARM


I AM WRITING TO YOU WITH MY OBJECTIONS regarding a proposed plan for the erection of 44 industrial turbine wind farm. Turbines to be 135m (441.57ft) up to 150m (490.63ft) high to be located at Flyers Creek on the Central Tablelands of NSW in prime A Class farming land. Where these turbines are to be located are in an area where it is becoming more populated. Some of these turbines are only 1.1 km from dwellings as well there is Errowanbang School (Dr. A. Bronzaft states that children have a higher perception of sound that turbines emit) with 2 turbines pointing right at the school. As it is becoming more apparent that these turbines are causing many problems including constant noise recognised by the South Australian Government (Quinn versus AGL) as you would be aware. Many other countries around the world also have noise problems. Medical problems are also recognized with peer-reviewed evidence. People in England (Davis v Fenland) have received compensation for having to evacuate their farm made unliveable by turbines, as many here have also moved out of their homes. What kind of people allow these so-called farms to be placed in areas where they cause people to move from their homes and farms without any restrictions placed on siting them.

I note Victoria has a 2 km setback applied to turbines in areas where there is nothing. Many problems are happening much further than 2km and health concerns must be considered.

Why should you have to leave your home and suffer from these turbines so put them where they won't cause any problems.

I attended a meeting at Blayney 28/11/2011 with Council members and the public to voice their opinions. At the meeting Mr. Jonathon Upson from Infigen Energy (the developer of the proposed farm) admitted while giving his side of the story that he did not pick this area for the wind farm.

I believe that a full moratorium must be carried out before any more decisions are made on the siting of this proposal as well as


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all other projects of this nature. All these problems must be addressed.

Also in this area it is used as a training area for pilots from Orange Airport which is also to be extended to cater for larger aircraft such as the Boeing 737. This area may be affected by the turbines as it is only 13km from the airport. A new enquiry must be made to CASA as some of the flight training pilots knew nothing about a wind farm being proposed for this area.

As well as all the other problems caused by these industrial turbines there is another problem. In this area the roads are not in any condition to carry the heavy vehicles required to do this construction approximately 80 km of roads that have to be rebuilt and widened to allow for the width of their loads, plus the destruction of many trees. Who will replace all the damage that will be done to this area. By chance if this project is approved and Infogen Energy decides to sell the leases to some other (usually overseas) company will they be liable to reconstruct all the damage done and maintain these roads as Blayney Council could not afford to and if any problems arise and people are forced out by these turbines who will be responsible? Along with people being forced out will there be compensation for the loss of property value if forced to sell caused by the wind farm if proven and as has happened in other parts of the world,.

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