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STEVE O'DONOGHUE,

I AM WRITING TO PUT MY THOUGHTS FORWARD AND VOICE MY OBJECTION TO ENERGY AUSTRALIA DEVELOPMENT PTY LTD. PROPOSAL AS A WHOLE AND SPECIFICALLY THEIR REQUEST TO MODIFY THEIR PROPOSAL. I AM A LAND HOLDER WHO HAS BEEN AGAINST THE PROPOSAL SINCE THE BEGINNING. MY FARM IS A FAMILY PROPERTY TO WHICH I AM THE 5TH GENERATION TO BE INVOLVED, THE LAND HAS BEEN UNDER OUR STEWARDSHIP & MANAGEMENT SINCE 1850. THE PROJECT AFFECTS MY PROPERTY & LIFESTYLE IN A NUMBER OF WAYS, DIRECTLY WITH APPROXIMATELY 4km OF GAS PIPELINE BISECTING OUR PROPERTY.

ENVIRONMENTALLY THROUGH THE PIPELINE'S ROUTE AFFECTING GROUND & SURFACE WATER FLOWS, PLANT'S AND ANIMALS WITH SOIL DISTURBANCE, POLLUTION COVERING AIR & WATER. EROSION OF LIGHT SOILS. AIR FROM POWER STATION ACTIVITIES AND MOST IMPORTANTLY THE TEMPERATURE OF EXHAUSTED AIR/GASES FROM THE POWER STATION OF 260°C - 320°C BECAUSE THE PLANT IS ONLY A SINGLE STAGE POWER GENERATING SYSTEM. IN OUR CURRENT CLIMATE OF CLIMATE CHANGE AND RISING TEMPERATURES A PLANT LIKE THIS IS HARDLY WHAT THE COMMUNITY NEEDS.

THIS COMPANY IS SELF CENTERED AND ONLY THINKS OF ITS SELF. THEY BUILD POWER STATIONS AND ARE CLOSING THEM DOWN TO MANIPULATE POWER PRICES. SO THEY ARE ABLE TO CHARGE EXORBITANT PRICES FOR "PEAKING POWER" GENERATED AT THEIR GAS FIRED POWER PLANTS. (REPORTEDLY \$1000 \$1300 KWH) THIS WILL NOT BRING POWER PRICES DOWN AS STATED BY GOVERNMENT

BODIES, THROUGH COMPETITION.

THIS COMPANY GAVE OUR FAMILY FALSE BELIEF THAT THE CAS PRIZELINE HAD FOUND CROWN LAND EASEMENTS IF IT WENT AHEAD. WE WERE AGAINST THE PROJECT BUT THOUGHT THAT WOULD BE THE BEST CASE SCENARIO IF IT WENT AHEAD. THE PROJECT WENT TO THE PLANNING MINISTER (KATRINA KENNEALLY) WITH THE ROUTE STRAIGHT THROUGH OUR PROPERTY, ACROSS VARIOUS PORTLANDS AND LONG DEVALUING OUR LAND AND AGAINST OUR WISHES. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY WITHOUT OUR KNOWLEDGE AND WAS SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED IN A UNDERHANDING AND UNTRUSTWORTHY WAY.

THE PROJECT IS IN COULBURN MULWARRIE COUNCIL AREA, BUT THE PLANT IS IN UPPER LACHLAN SHIRE. THIS BRINGS ABOUT A NUMBER OF COMPLICATIONS FOR COMMUNITY CONSULTATION AND I BELIEVE EVERY AUSTRALIA HAS DONE THIS TO MANIPULATE THE PROCESS OF APPROVAL AND THE SUBSEQUENT MANAGEMENT OF THE SITE.

THIS BRINGS ME TO MY REASON FOR OBJECTING TO THE MODIFICATION OF THE PROJECTS APPROVAL. I HAVE MADE CONTACT WITH ENERGY AUSTRALIA AND THEIR EMPLOYEES WITH REWARDS TO NEED CONTROL ON THE SITE.

THEY HAVE SHOWN LITTLE INTEREST OR RESPECT TO THE COMMUNITY AND MEMBERS LIKE MYSELF. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PROPERTY OWNER TO CONTROL WEEDS ON THEIR LAND (BIODIVERSITY ACT) AND MORE SO PREVENTING SPREAD OF THESE WEEDS TO NEIGHBORING LAND. A HALF HEARTED ATTEMPT HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT BY A LEASEE OF THE COULBURN MULWARRIE PORTION OF THE SITE, BUT ONLY AFTER MY COMPLAINTS TO THE WEEDS INSPECTORS OF COULBURN MULWARRIE COUNCIL.

NOTHING HAS BEEN DONE TO CONTROL 'SERRATED TUSsock', THE WEED IN QUESTION, IN THE UPPER LACHLAN SHIRE PORTION OF THE PROJECT. I HAVE MADE CONTACT WITH THE WEEDS INSPECTORS FROM THAT SHIRE AND AFTER A SITE INSPECTION ENERGY AUSTRALIA WAS DIRECTED TO AND SAID THEY WOULD START TO CONTROL THE WEED. TO THIS DATE NOTHING HAS BEEN DONE. I WILL BE

CONTRACTING THE UPPER LACHLAN SHIRE NEEDS INSPECTORS AGAIN
 & VOICING MY DISAPPROVAL OF ENERGY AUSTRALIA'S INACTION ON
 THIS SUBJECT.

I BELIEVE ENERGY AUSTRALIA'S SUBMISSION TO MODIFY
 THE APPROVAL FOR THE CAC FROD POWER STATION AT MARULAN
 SHOULD BE DISREGARDED ON A NUMBER REASONS

- * NSW STATE BIODIVERSITY ACT.
- * LACK OF COMMUNITY RESPECT. (BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOUR)
- * CROSS BOUNDARY COMPLICATION OF THE SITE WHEN IT SHOULD
 ALL BE ACTUALLY IN ONE COUNCIL AREA.
- * UNDER HANDLY PURCHASING & CLOSING OF OLDER POWER STATIONS
 FOR SUBSEQUENT PROFIT, BY THEN BUILDING CAC FROD
 POWER STATION AND GENERATION 'PEAKING POWER' NOT BASE
 LOAD POWER.
- * THE PRESENT ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATIC ENVIRONMENTS
 DON'T NEED A PROJECT OF THIS NATURE IN THE PRESENT
 OR FUTURE.

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ADJOINING FARMER & CONCERNED CITIZEN

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