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Submission against Glen Innes Wind farm's Application (Mod 4)

28th August 2017

c/- Mr Tim Stuckey <u>Tim.stuckey@planning.nsw.gov.au</u> Department of Planning and Environment SYDNEY, NSW .

To Whom It May Concern, Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Mark Ritchie, I am the owner/ operator of Minumurra Thoroughbred Stud, 662 Ilparran Road, Matheson Valley, Via Glen Innes, 2370, and I wish to object most strongly to the Glen Innes Wind Farm's application re (Mod 4). In fact I wish to object to the whole Southern end of the wind farm and would appreciate it greatly if you will accept this as my formal submission. As such I offer the following headings and relevant comments for your consideration.

<u>Lack of Consultation</u>; My property, (Main house and two cottages), is situated in the Matheson Valley. By my estimation my houses are less than two kilometres from the closest of the Eight proposed wind turbines at the southern end of the Glen Innes Wind farm array, and until a week ago I have never been approached or contacted by anyone to do with the Glen Innes Wind Farm.

<u>White Rock Wind Farm</u>; A similar distance to the west of me, along the western rim of my valley are the Wind turbines of the White Rock Wind Farm. The Operators "Goldwind" have *(in comparison)* always been in contact and to their credit have always tried to keep me informed.

<u>Unexpected Excessive Noise from White Rock Wind Turbines</u>; Although the above is appreciated, it is unfortunate now that myself and almost everyone in the valley consider that we were not properly advised as to the excessive noise that we should expect from these turbines. Please be advised that we are all agreeing that the Noise from the White Rock turbines is excessive particularly at night. My house is a big one, six bedrooms and over 130 years old. If I can sit in a room on the Eastern side of this house with the majority of the rooms of the house between myself and the White Rock Wind Turbines, have the TV going at a reasonably high volume and still hear them then the noise is excessive.

Please also note that we are ALL worried , *(now that we know what noise to expect)*, that if the Larger Turbines or ANY turbines of the Glen Innes Farm go ahead, that it will become totally unliveable here in the valley. A shame considering my family, and my neighbour's have been here for over one hundred years.

Absentee landholders; With the above in mind please be aware that the land on which those eight southern most turbines of the GI Wind Farm are located, are owned by absentee landholders. Meaning that they don't have to put up with the noise, we do!!! I hope you will realise the potential this has for creating very bad blood between neighbours.

<u>Damage to My Business</u>; The two accompanying letters from my clients will attest that with the advent of the Excessive Noise it has become apparent that a further imposition of Wind Turbines and their Excessive Noise on my property will seriously damage my business if it hasn't already!!!! Yours Faithfully

Mark Ritchie

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