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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re Thunderbolt Wind Farm SSD-18087896

I am 12 years old, and I have always lived on our farm. I am in year 6 and School Captain at Kentucky Public School.

I am writing to **object** to the wind farm proposal because:

1. I think the turbines will make our environment and landscape look terrible. Especially if there are 590 turbines that will be built in the area right around our school because of lots of these projects all happening over the next few years.
2. Our house will be affected by flickering shadows from the turbines.
3. Our house and our whole farm and all our pets and animals will be affected by the noise of all these turbines because the wind blows from the west where they will be located, across to our farm and house. I don't like the idea of infrasound from the turbines and I don't think there has been enough studies on infrasound coming from turbines.
4. I am worried about all the koalas and other animals because their habitat will be knocked down with bulldozers to make areas for roads and turbines. My mum says that the ecosystem on the farm where the wind towers will go is a critically endangered ecosystem. I don't think these sorts of projects should happen on that land if it's so endangered. We won't have any left.
5. When I get affected by dust, I get asthma. Our farm is right next door to where they want to build the wind towers. I think the construction is going to cause lots of dust on our place and in our house. I also think all the extra traffic on the highway is going to make me miss my school bus a lot, which will make Mum mad.
6. The impact study for the wind farm says that our television, and mobile phone will be interrupted. I use the internet a lot for homework and entertainment so this will cause me problems.
7. Where are they going to put all the used turbines when they don't work anymore? We do a lot of recycling at home and at school and I don't think the turbines will fit in our local recycling station. I think this is going to cause a lot of problems for our local council.
8. One day, I am going to take over from Mum and Dad on our farm. If the wind towers all go ahead, I won't be able to do farming and grazing like I had imagined. We have plans to make our farm into a place where visitors can come and stay and look at regenerative agriculture.

We won't be able to do this if the wind towers go ahead. So I will not be able to make any money. I don't think this is fair to a young person interested in farming.

9. I'm worried about Mum and Dad because they are really stressed out with this wind farm project and all the other ones around our area. This week they have been to so many meetings about it. Mum had to take a week off work to do it all, so we will probably have no holiday after Christmas this year because all her holidays will be used up.

I hope you can work out a better way to do renewable energy projects. Lots of people in our area are talking about different ways to do it. Why can't you help them do that?

Yours sincerely

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