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Subject: Crookwell III Wind Project
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to submit my strong objection to the proposed Crookwell III Wind Project - my objection is based on my opinion of the following points,

Visual Impact : my wife and I purchased our rural property 20 years ago, falling in love with a wonderful view of rolling hills and valleys, and some forested hills , since the construction of Crookwell II , when looking from my verandah at the back of my home , toward the West, I now see the blades of 2 turbines turning at various speeds, and am now highly concerned that Crookwell III will be even more visible , and therefore have a detrimental impact on the vista.

Reduced Land Values : When we purchased our property, we did so with the view to improving and therefore appreciating through time, the value of our home, which would allow us the ability to be self funded in our retirement years, as I will be turning 65 in the next couple of weeks, I no longer have the available years left in my working life to be able make up the capital to cover losses from property devaluation, that Realestate Professionals have indicated will come from the close proximity to this proposal.

Failure to meet sustainable efficiency: All the research I have done, has indicated that best possible efficiency outcomes for wind turbines is 35%, and that world best practice says that the most reliable form of breeze to power these units come from the ocean, hence the Dutch have implemented offshore platforms for their turbines. I find it totally irrational, that we continue to install turbines in a rural area, when somewhere like North Head in Sydney would be better suited, and that without Subsidies these installations would not be viable, can you please explain to me the rationale behind having a business that will not be sustainable without me as a tax payer financially supporting it ?

Reduced Firefighting Capability : As a Rural firefighter, I am appalled to see the restrictions that we would face in Firefighting in or near Wind turbines, the inability to have air support could well be catastrophic, putting lives at risk. I have heard it said that the roads that are around the turbines would be satisfactory to allow fire vehicles to negotiate, which would be good if the fire was beside the road, unfortunately, grassland fires travel very quickly and spread at a great pace, which means usually vehicles can't keep up, and air support is essential to assist.

In summary, I would like to say that if this proposal has been rejected by the Dept. of Planning , why is it necessary to even consider its viability.

Yours faithfully
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