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To protect and advance public welfare and the natural environment by opposing Commonwealth, State or Territory Law, or Corporate actions, that impose counterproductive energy policies and costs on all citizens.



Supplemental Submission to Birriwa Solar IPC held 5 June 2024 at Dunedoo

Dear Commissioners,

After presenting to you and listening to the other presenters, I was very disappointed with the manner, attitude and response from the ACEN representatives at the end of the day. It was as if ACEN had heard nothing all day, and did not care what the people in the room felt.

This is the height of disrespect, which we are constantly told is paramount in our dealings with others. The Chair warned us to be respectful, but did not caution the female ACEN staffmember for her insulting attitude and disrespectful disregard of the information had just been presented regarding their project.

Community consultation and gaining social licence is not achieved by acting as if no valid information is heard. Genuine consultation would mean information is communicated between parties, acted on, and responded to in a meaningful way. Blocking out any information counter to

your corporate objective is more aligned with ACEN's method, based on this example and other experiences.

Given this clear disrespect for local inhabitants, ACEN is not fit to build or operate any project in the area. Their behaviour shows they will disregard any local opposition no matter the validity of the complaint, and skirt any conditions of consent unless heavily policed. We have no trust in them, and nor should the NSW project approval authorities.

We recommend you reject the ACEN project.

Rgards,

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