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**RE: INQUIRY INTO RENEWABLE ENERGY (ELECTRICITY) ADMENDMENT
(EXCESSIVE NOISE FROM WIND FARMS) BILL 2012.**

I wish to support the Renewable Energy (Electricity) Admendment (Excessive Noise from Wind Farms) bill 2012.

My husband and I live at 974 Stonefield Lane, Penshurst Vic and have just had the Macarthur Wind Farm turn on around. 30 of the 140 turbines, which are located approx. 6km West of our property.

The Penshurst Wind Farm, which is currently in the planning process, if it gets approval in 2013, will be situated to the East of our property with approx. 220 turbines at approx. 175ft. We will be situated right in the middle of the two wind farms, approx. 360 turbines.

At this stage we are very concerned on the issue of Noise from the turbines effecting, what is not only our workplace but also our home. It should be every persons right to be able to work and live without the effects of Audible Noise, Low Frequency and Vibration Noise.

Several families I have already spoken to since the Macarthur turbines commenced in early October are already experiencing sleep disruption at night along with other health issues. One wonders what effects the noise levels will have when the additional 110 turbines are all fully going in early 2013. I would welcome the "independent health studies incorporating experts from all related fields" regarding the noise issues associated with the health of those living in areas of Wind Turbines and am confident that the Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Excessive Noise from Wind Farms) Bill 2012 will give us protection from excessive noise and the right to sleep peacefully in our own beds at night.

Yours sincerely

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