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My family and I live on our property approximately 2KM from the proposed Mt Emerald Wind Farm on the Atherton Tablelands, Far North Queensland.

We have grave concerns regarding the noise levels that the proposed 75 wind turbines will create. The issue of health concerns arising because of wind turbines is not new and there are many residents around the world who have been adversely affected by this so called "clean" energy source. Symptoms from noise created by wind turbines can include: sleep deprivation, headaches, tinnitus, dizziness, vertigo, nausea and visual blurring, to name a few.

If these symptoms were related to an energy source that was considered not "green" there would be no issue in either shutting the operation down or imposing huge penalties on the developers.

As soon as the words "clean" and "green" are attached to an energy source the people in power look the other way and condemn those affected as troublemakers. The developers of "clean" energy are considered "heroes" and any wrongdoings are kept hidden.

We therefore believe that a Bill, seeking to regulate the noise wind turbines create, is necessary to ensure that the wind farm developers are kept accountable. Like cigarettes in the 50's, people did not believe they would cause lung cancer, how wrong we were. We have to acknowledge the facts that wind farm noise **CAN** and **DO** make people sick. Having a Bill that stipulates what is excessive noise and imposing penalties on the developer, as well as taking away their renewable energy subsidies, would be an incentive to keep developers responsible and honest and give the residents in and around wind turbine farms a fair go.

Thanking You  
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