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We support these proposed amendments to the Renewable Energy Act.

There needs to be much transparency about the noise and wind mast data as well as serious consequences for breaches of noise guidelines if wind farm operators break the rules.

We live just over 2km from the proposed Golspie wind farm, one of the largest in the state of NSW. More than 60 wind turbines are planned within 4 km of our house.

We are very concerned about noise, vibration and other consequences of the wind farm which will affect our health and amenity.

So far the developer Wind Prospect has been quite opaque. Until recently property owners were approached on an individual basis to sign up for the wind farm. Neighbours were left out of the picture until it was too late.

A recent open day featured montages which underestimated the size of the turbines by one third and no information has been forthcoming as to the actual siting of the turbines.

It is vital that any problems be dealt with the Noise regulatory authorities promptly and

full spectrum acoustic monitoring be conducted for long enough periods to gain an accurate picture of the effects of this and other wind farms

Raw data must be audited by an independent acoustician and the government must listen to community concerns.

The proposed amendments to the Bill, which are designed to ensure that noise pollution which is harmful to health does not occur and that if it does it is detected action is taken, are essential,

Yours truly,

John and Niki Zubrzycki