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To The Senate Inquiry
Noise of Wind Farms

I support the Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Excessive noise from Wind Farms) Act 2012

I wish to voice my concerns over the excessive noise from wind turbines for the following reasons.
The main objection being the noise generated from turbines is now well noted and peer-reviewed by noted Professors from around the world that turbines are causing many health problems mainly sleep deprivation.
Problems are now recorded much further than 2 kilometres from turbines.
There is a curfew at airports within Australia regarding noise from aircraft during the hours of 11pm to 6am but aircraft once landed and engines are stopped there is not further noise but turbine noise is constant (which used in torture such as a dripping tap.
Don't laugh as any constant noise can have dramatic effects on health such as these turbines can cause, while many people have had to leave their homes because of bad placement of wind farms without due consideration or the knowledge of what these industrial turbines can cause now that these problems are known.
Who is responsible for them if problems do arise and people have to move?
Stony Gap in South Australia proven in court there will be noise and excessive due to the size, wind conditions and placement. Some people in the United Kingdom have been compensated because of noise and having to move from their home.
Will it be the Government, the proponents or the wind farm hosts who compensate the people affected by noise from turbines?

Berglund B, Lindvall, T amd Schwela D (Eds) (1999) Guidelines for Community Noise
World Health Organisation, Geneva, Switzerland pp 159.

Sincerely

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