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Dear Senator Fielding,

I write as a rural General Practitioner who is concerned about the pseudo-science being perpetrated around Wind Turbine Syndrome. The National Health and Medical Research Council recently concluded that there is currently no published scientific evidence to positively link wind turbines with adverse health effects. Similarly, research by Adelaide consultancy Sonus has recently shown that low frequency noise levels at the beach and in the CBD are typically higher than near wind farms. I firmly believe that there is no medical evidence to support Wind Turbine Syndrome.

I strongly support the use of renewable energies. I am an investor in Hepburn Wind, along with 1600 other (mainly local) members. This project is based in rural Victoria, and through the use of 2 wind turbines, this project will generate enough electricity to power the houses of Daylesford and the surrounding area. There are also huge benefits for the local community, with the development of 3 jobs to date, as well as large donations to our community. The project is hugely popular in the local community.

I urge you not to pay heed to a small number of protestors who use pseudo-science to perpetrate myths around the use of wind turbines. I encourage you to consider the benefits to my community, as well as for the future of Australia, and indeed the world, if we fail to invest in renewable energies.

Thank you for withholding my name and address.

Yours sincerely,