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**To:** [Committee, Wind Turbines \(SEN\)](#)  
**Cc:**  
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Dear Sir / Madam ,

Wind Turbines have a HUGE NEGATIVE affect on Communities , landscape and our general environment .

Wind Turbines are destroying Australia by forcing many people to permanently or part time leave their homes and farms due to health impacts , destroy communities by creating conflict and denigration all based around the \$\$ and perceived threat to easy money , destroys thousands of birds and bats which totally unbalances our environment and challenges the ability of some people to work their farms and professions .

I believe there is NO place for Wind Turbines in country environments ---- if you want them put them in the major cities ( then you will have a HUGE hue and cry due to the number of people impacted ! )

Due to the smaller population in the country people impacted have a smaller voice therefore are ignored , denigrated and treated as if they have no intelligence .

Therefore , re regulation governance -- just say NO to turbines being built in Australia . Open your eyes to what is happening throughout the world and recognise all the challenges and tragedy which we can avoid . Smart decisions need to be made , not coloured green for feel good sake .

Simply , as I see the wind industry --- it should not exist . All negatives and no positives ( unless you look through green glasses ) .

The economic impact is huge --- Wind Turbines stop people working their farms efficiently , if their health is impacted ( acknowledging that not everyone has negative affects ) .

Animals are affected in a variety of ways ( cannot work , lower fertility , mutations --- there are well documented articles on this subject from around the world . )

Land owners have their asset financially downgraded so their business dealing with banks etc are compromised . Many Land owners are unable to sell their land and move as no one will buy .

The local population moves away if they can so the size of the active community decreases -- many impacts relating to this ! --- eg , fewer in your local CFA to fight fires .

Yes , the turbine hosts have heaps more money and the local communities have money thrown at them from the wind companies but it is a false economy , creating a selfish , self centred community who , when some people are challenged with their health or are unable to sell the are hounded and denigrated by those with the \$\$ . I know of a family at Waubra that had their home egged the night before they left . They are still wearing the trauma of that experience !

The power prices have been forced up to crazy levels by us subsidising the Wind Industry --- this has HUGE impact on ALL corners of our communities throughout Australia ---- Families struggle to pay their basic power bill , industries leave Australia to work off shore , small businesses struggle to survive , EVERYONE and EVERYTHING is impacted . The only winners are the Wind Companies who run off with all the money they receive from our taxes . If the Wind Industry cannot stand on its own , without subsidy , too bad !

Wind Turbines have a huge NEGATIVE affect on communities by creating self centred , \$ focused , selfish , aggressive communities --- pretty tragic , isn't it ! Unfortunately the power of the almighty \$\$ is TRAGIC !

Wake up Australia ! The Wind industry is DESTROYING our Communities , Environment , Landscape and Industry . It is about time it was stopped before it is too late .

Yours sincerely ,

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