

7 February 2011

Dear Senate Committee,

**SUBMISSION TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE INQUIRY INTO THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT OF RURAL WIND FARMS - IN FAVOUR OF WIND FARMS**

I have been employed in the wind industry for almost seven years, working in planning, design and construction areas for both large and small developers as well as a turbine supplier. I realise you have received many detailed industry submissions, so I would like to provide a personal submission.

My family and I regularly stay with a friend at one of the properties owned by the Waubra Wind Farm and used as staff accommodation. This house has twelve turbines within one kilometre, with the closest just 320 metres away. We have spent over twenty nights there on over a dozen separate occasions and neither my wife, nor my daughter, nor I have experienced any negative health effects, or symptoms, caused by any of the wind turbines.

Yours sincerely,  
Stephen Crowe.