

Dear Senate Committee members

I live in a small rural town at the end of a long power line which results in frequent power failures. Many in the community support distributed energy generation, some installing turbines on their rural properties along with photovoltaic panels, as many in town have.

The Shire's community survey established that 70% of the respondents supported the construction of a small wind farm on a site which some in the community contested. The response result was deemed statistically valid.

The community organisation promoting this development has faced many difficulties over the past several years but has, with persistence, cleared all the hurdles. We urge you not to place any further hurdles in our path as we try to become self-sufficient in power generation and, at the same time, contribute to reducing CO2 emissions.

Sincerely

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