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Dear Senators

## Senate Inquiry into Wind Farms

Just having to write this letter makes my blood boil. Nothing is proven about any adverse health issues related to wind farms and I get very annoyed when I hear about these claims.

The wind farms around the Portland area look fantastic on the landscape and are a good thing for visitors and tourists.

My brother runs a caravan park in Portland and the wind farms are a great talking point because everyone is interested. Most of the tourists staying at the caravan park go out and see the wind farms and get right up close to them and they marvel at their beauty. All my brother hears from these tourists is positive comments about the wind farms.

I also take my visitors out to Cape Bridgewater and they are always impressed with the wind farms and are surprised at how quite they are.

It seems to me that the people who have grievances about wind farms are the ones that missed out on getting towers on their property and don't get any money from the towers. Perhaps this is just jealousy?

Whilst I have worked at Keppel Prince for the last seven years, I have not worked on the wind tower assembly line but still take great pride in my company's involvement in making the wind towers.

The wind farms are great and let's hope that more are built soon!

Regards,

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