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I welcome Family First Leader Senator Steven Fielding in setting up a Federal Senate Inquiry into wind farms.

I implore you to listen to my concerns, I live within approximately 1½ km from the nearest 157 turbine Stockyard Hill wind farm soon to be constructed. I believe this wind farm will negatively impact on me and many others, health wise, emotionally and financially. My home for me is a sanctuary of calm, safety and beauty.

I believe further investigation is essential into the health implications of turbines. The impact turbines had on people from Waukra, Victoria cannot be ignored. So many people are suffering health issues and I fear for my health from wind farms.

I have comments from people like "what are you going to do now, (once the turbines are erected) it will drive you mad", "your property will be devalued", "how will you sleep at night", and, "I could not bear to look at them day after day". I have real concerns about the de-valuation of my property once these turbines are erected, to say nothing of the visual impact and noise level which affects stable air, low frequency noise and amplitude modulation created by turbines.

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I implore our government to hold a moratorium on wind farms so as to launch an independent and transparent investigation into wind farms.

Before more wind farms are erected we need so much more information on the real and possible damage to human health, and, not forgetting the magnificent fauna and flora of this country.

More investigation into other suitable sites for wind farms needs to be studied, so is the financial rewarding of people who have turbines on their property, and the penalizing of those who do not but are impacted severely.

I eagerly await this Federal Senate Inquiry.

Yours faithfully

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