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Department of the Senate
PO Box 6100
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Sir / Madam

RE: ENQUIRY INTO THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT OF RURAL WIND FARMS

Upper Lachlan Shire Council is located in the Southern Tablelands of New South Wales.

The establishment of wind farms within the Upper Lachlan Council area is becoming significant with existing approval for 5 Wind Farms with more proposals imminent. As such, Upper Lachlan Shire Council adopted the Upper Lachlan Development Control Plan 2010 on the 18 February 2010 and took affect from the 9 July 2010.

The following components of the Upper Lachlan Development Control Plan 2010 are considered relevant to the Inquiry:

- Section 9.5 - Wind Farms
- Section 3.17 - Community Enhancement Program
- Appendix A - Wind Farm Planning Agreement

Copies of the above extracts are attached for your information in accordance with Council Resolution No 454/10 dated 16 December 2010. Also attached are the proposed Draft amendments to the above documents, the proposed draft amendments are in response to the judgment handed down by the Land and Environment Court in the *Gullen Range Wind Farm Pty Limited v Minister for Planning* [2010] NSWLEC 1102.

For any further information or clarification please contact Council's Environment and Planning Section.

Yours faithfully

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