To all members of the Senate committee,

We are a boutique video production company based in Portland, Western Victoria, and have benefitted economically from various film assignments we have undertaken for wind farms not only locally, but also interstate and even overseas.

It would not be economical for our small business to be based in the country without the economic input from such companies as Pacific Hydro. We also generate income to other small businesses, as well as supporting local sporting groups and schools, whilst promoting Portland and the Western District, through our media contacts, both nationally and internationally.

We at Powerhouse Productions are especially appreciative to have worked for Pacific Hydro for over a decade. The income that they have provided has often kept our business with much needed funds. We are able to generate income back in to our local community through the support of such a loyal and supportive company.

It is wonderful to be able to live in a rural environment and have our teenage children walk to our local secondary school, play sport and enjoy the wonderful surrounds whilst we can operate a business to combine a perfect work & family balance without the stress of living In an overcrowded city, in the daily traffic grind. Instead we look out to our green energy wind farm from our kitchen window.

If you click on our website www.php.com.au you will be amazed who are clients are and our huge collection on national television commercials that we produce from here in Portland. Our business is only one example of many who benefit from the income stream from the wind farm industry. We certainly have not had support from the government like we have had from such wonderful companies like Pacific Hydro.

Hope we have helped the committee in a little more information.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you would like any more information.

Kind Regards, Peter & Karen