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Dear Sir/Madam,

**The Social and Economic Impact of Rural Wind Farms**

I have a couple of questions that I would like your Inquiry to respond to:

- 1) Has there been any medical research done into the medical conditions that some people (mainly from Waubra) are complaining about? If so, can you please send me a copy?
- 2) Will the Inquiry look at the economic and health impacts on the Portland community if wind farm projects were stopped?

It would be a catastrophe for Portland if there were no more wind farm projects. For me, wind farms are a great job generator that also provides us with clean and green electricity. They also make very little noise when you stand alongside them.

I regularly take visitors out to look at the wind farms and they are amazed at the lack of noise and lack of vibrations. Our visitors say that they are nothing like some of the negative articles that they read in the media. Our visitors say that Portland's wind farms look magnificent!

I strongly believe that the objectors and complainants are just looking for a cash handout.

Yours Faithfully

Rodney Ryan