

The Secretariat, SISEIRWF

Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to express the view that wind farms, subject to state environmental impact assessments with public input, should be supported by the Commonwealth Government as a sustainable contributor to meeting our energy needs.

The recent devastation from fire in Victoria and currently flooding in Victoria, NSW and Queensland is evidence of the need to shift from subsidizing black and brown coal use in energy generation to a mix of alternatives, including wind farms, in which the Scandinavians have led the way. There are thus economic, environmental and social reasons why the risks of human induced global warming be reduced and opportunities for economic benefit in regional and rural Australia be capitalized on by systematic and guaranteed support.

Yours sincerely

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