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Subject: Australian Senate Inquiry into Wind Farms

Dear Dr Pierpont

I am writing to you on behalf of Senator Steve Fielding of the Australian Parliament to invite you to make a submission into the Senate Inquiry on the social and economic impacts of rural wind farms.

I understand you have conducted extensive research in this field and we would welcome your valuable contribution to the inquiry.

The issue of wind farms has gained enormous prominence within the Australian media as there are many residents who have voiced concerns about the impacts of living in close proximity to wind turbines. After having visited residents living next to wind farms to see the situation first-hand, as well as consulting with a number of organisations, Senator Fielding successfully moved to establish a Senate Inquiry on this issue.

Submissions to the inquiry must be submitted by no later than 10 February 2011 and hearings will then take place following this date. Should you wish to make yourself available for hearings, it would be possible to arrange a video link. Should you prefer not to, it is certainly possible to make a submission but not appear before the hearings. The current reporting date of the inquiry is scheduled for 30 April 2011.

Below is a link to the website which will provide you with all the information on the inquiry, including the terms of reference.

http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/clac_ctte/impact_rural_wind_farms/index.htm

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Regards

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