

**SUBMISSION ON MIGHTY RIVER POWER LTD APPLICATIONS FOR RESOURCE CONSENT AND NOTICES OF REQUIRMENTS**

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<b>To: Freepost Call In</b> <b>Ministry for the Environment</b> <b>PO Box 10362</b> <b>The Terrace</b> <b>Wellington 6143</b>	or	<b>Email:</b> turiteacallin@mfe.govt.nz <b>Fax:</b> (04) 439 7705
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[Note: If you are emailing or faxing your submission, please mark in the subject line: 'Turitea Call In']

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This submission relates to the applications for resource consents lodged by Mighty River Power Ltd for the Turitea Wind Farm proposal as identified on the next page.

**CLOSING DATE AND TIME FOR SUBMISSIONS: 5.00 PM MONDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2009**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Mr \_\_\_\_\_ Mrs \_\_\_\_\_ Miss \_\_\_\_\_ Ms \_\_\_\_\_ (Please circle the appropriate title(s) or print clearly below)

My/Our Full Name(s): Lawrence and Anna Satherley

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RD 4, Palmerston North

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Please tick the relevant boxes on the next page to identify whether you are making a submission on all applications for resource consents or just some of them (please identify).  
Please also indicate on the back of this form (✓) whether you support, oppose, or are neutral in relation to the applications. If you are making a submission only on parts of an application for resource consent please note this when specifying the reasons for your submission.

The reasons for my/our submission are: \_\_\_\_\_ If you are attaching further information tick for yes   
Please see attached.  
Please use more pages if you need to.

I/we seek the following decision from the Board of Inquiry (provide precise details including the nature of any conditions sought):  
That the applications for the Turitea Wind Farm be granted consent, subject to appropriate conditions that are acceptable to Mighty River Power.

Use a clear tick in the appropriate box below (v)  
I/we wish to be heard in respect of my/our submission (to speak at the public hearing)   
I/we DO NOT wish to be heard and hereby make my/our submission in writing only   
Signature(s): ASatherley L.A. Satherley Date: 17/2/09

(Signature of submitter, or person authorised to sign on their behalf is required. Note signature is not required for electronic (email) submissions. If this is a joint submission by two or more individuals, each individual's signature is required.)

Use the tick boxes below to indicate the called-in applications for resource consents that your submission concerns. Use a clear tick in the appropriate box or boxes (✓).

I/we make my/our submission concerning all applications for resource consents below

OR

My/our submission only concerns the applications for resource consents that I/we have ticked below:

	Support	Oppose	Neutral
<b>Manawatu-Wanganui (Horizons) Regional Council – Land Use Consents</b>			
<b>104553:</b> for vegetation clearance and land disturbance in rare or threatened habitats, near streams and on highly erodible land throughout the general wind farm site.			
<b>104554:</b> for the construction of a double culvert in an un-named tributary of the Kahuterawa Stream as shown on the included map.			
<b>Manawatu- Wanganui (Horizons) Regional Council – Discharge Permits</b>			
<b>104555:</b> for the discharge of dust to air from the concrete batching plants to be located as generally shown on the included map.			
<b>104556:</b> for the discharge of dust to air from the mobile crushing plant throughout the general wind farm site.			
<b>104557:</b> for the discharge of wastewater from two operations and maintenance facilities to land to be located as generally shown on the included map.			
<b>104558:</b> for the discharge of stormwater from substations to land to be located as generally shown on the included map.			
<b>104559:</b> for the discharge of cleanfill to land in the form of spoil disposal sites throughout the general wind farm site.			
<b>104560:</b> for the discharge of stormwater from roads, turbine platforms and other areas to land			
<b>Palmerston North City Council – Land Use Consents</b>			
<b>RC0068:</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to establish and operate a wind farm in the areas within the Palmerston North City jurisdiction as generally shown on the included map;</li> <li>to undertake earthworks associated with tracking and roading, turbine construction and associated buildings in the areas within the Palmerston North city jurisdiction as generally shown on the included map;</li> <li>for the western side of Pahiatua Aokautere Road not meeting access requirements at the location shown on the included map;</li> <li>for the storage of diesel (10,000 L) in bunded areas outside the Turitea water supply catchment, generally located at the two substation laydown areas shown on the included map, that exceeds the 0.2 effects ratio maximum in the rural zone; and</li> <li>for the construction of a 220 kV electricity transmission line and substations as shown on the included map.</li> </ul>			
<b>Tararua District Council – Land Use Consents</b>			
<b>1448:</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>for a wind farm (which is not listed as a permitted or controlled activity) in the areas within the Tararua District as generally shown on the attached map;</li> <li>for land disturbance of more than 200m<sup>3</sup> of soil and cleanfill material associated with tracking and roading, turbine construction, spoil disposal and other associated works in the areas within the Tararua District as generally shown on the attached map;</li> <li>for upgrades to South Range Road and the construction of new site access at the location shown on the attached map;</li> <li>for turbine and wind monitoring mast structures not meeting height requirements within the Tararua District;</li> <li>for the modification of a Significant Natural Feature in Schedule 3.3 (i.e. Tararua Ranges Ridgeline);</li> <li>for not meeting noise requirements; and</li> <li>for clearance of indigenous vegetation in the areas within the Tararua District as generally shown on the attached map.</li> </ul>			

**Note: A copy of this submission form must also be sent to Mighty River Power Ltd at:**

**Freepost – MRP, Mighty River Power Ltd, PO Box 445, HAMILTON 3240**

Attention: Stephanie Froggatt

Or email: [turitea@mightyriver.co.nz](mailto:turitea@mightyriver.co.nz) or fax: (07) 857 0192

I/we have served a copy of my/our submission on the applicant per Section 96(4) of the RMA.

**The reasons for my/our submission are:**

We would like to submit in support of the Turitea Wind Farm proposal.

The transmission route that will connect the Turitea Wind Farm to the grid at Linton crosses over our Kahuterawa Road property. This property is used for beef rearing and is part of the 440ha of land that we own in the local area.

We are passionate about the Palmerston North area and have been heavily involved in the local community through various groups and organisations. Our involvement in the community has included, most notably, Lawrence's 40 year involvement in Manawatu AMP society and our involvement in our local Lutheran church (where Lawrence is currently a pastoral leader). We are in favour of projects that enhance the Palmerston North area and give opportunities for growth within the area. We see the Turitea Wind Farm as one such project.

We are in favour of renewable electricity generation and see wind generation as an environmentally friendly source of electricity. One of the key benefits we see with using wind turbines to generate electricity is that they do not change the environment as markedly as hydro stations or tidal generation (for example).

The Turitea Wind Farm will make good use of the abundant wind resource that we have in the Manawatu and will ensure that the region remains the primary source of wind generated electricity in New Zealand. We have personally experienced the wind resource in this area during our years of farming and believe that it would be a waste not to use it for electricity generation.

We consider that the turbines add "something" to the area and enhance the visual aspect. The turbines on the ridgeline provide a unique identity for the region which has had flow on effects by way of enhancing tourism and providing an identifiable "brand" for the region (e.g. the rugby team is called the "Turbos").

Another advantage of the Turitea Wind Farm is that it is going to generate revenue (reportedly \$1.9m pa) to spend in the local economy. This revenue will come by way of royalties paid to landowners with turbines on their properties. The direct and indirect creation of jobs during construction (300 jobs at the peak) and post construction (10 jobs) for local people is another plus. The wind farm royalties due to Council will allow the development of an ecopark within the Reserve which will have additional ecological, tourism and recreational advantages.

We consider the future effects on properties will be minimal post construction. For example, we have the existing 220kv transmission line running through our property. The transmission towers did not stop us from purchasing the property and they do not directly affect our farming operations. The only time that we notice them is after it has rained and the lines make a slight humming noise.

In conclusion we would like to say that we are supportive of Mighty River Power as the developer of the Turitea Wind Farm. We have personally had good dealings with the company and have confidence that they will use good environmental practices as they have done with their other generation developments (e.g. at Kawerau).