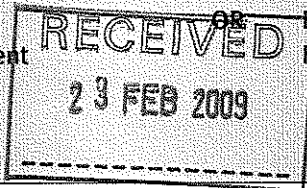


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SUBMISSION ON MIGHTY RIVER POWER LTD APPLICATIONS FOR RESOURCE CONSENT

Section 145 of the Resource Management Act 1991

To: Freepost Call In
Ministry for the Environment
PO Box 10362
The Terrace
Wellington 6143



Email: turiteacallin@mfe.govt.nz
Fax: 04 439 7705

[Note: If you are emailing or faxing your submission, please mark in the subject line: 'Turitea Call In']

This submission relates to the applications for resource consent 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): Beverley Jean Hall

Postal Address: 17 Oram Drive RD 4 Birnie Station North

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Work Fax: Home Fax: Email: jhall@ocean.net.nz

Please tick the relevant boxes on the next page to identify whether you are making a submission on all applications for resource consent 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 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):

Please use more pages if you need to.

Use a clear tick in the appropriate box below (✓)

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): [Handwritten Signature]

Date: 20/2/09

(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.)



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Use the tick boxes below to indicate the called-in applications for resource consent 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 consent below

OR

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

Support Oppose Neutral

	Support	Oppose	Neutral
Manawatu-Wanganui (Horizons) Regional Council – Land-use Consents			
104553: for vegetation clearance and land disturbance in rare or threatened habitats, near streams and on highly erodible land throughout the general wind farm site.		✓	
104554: for the construction of a double culvert in an un-named tributary of the Kahuterawa Stream as shown on the included map.		✓	
Manawatu-Wanganui (Horizons) Regional Council – Discharge Permits			
104555: for the discharge of dust to air from the concrete batching plants to be located as generally shown on the included map.		✓	
104556: for the discharge of dust to air from the mobile crushing plant throughout the general wind farm site.		✓	
104557: for the discharge of wastewater from two operations and maintenance facilities to land to be located as generally shown on the included map.		✓	
104558: for the discharge of stormwater from substations to land to be located as generally shown on the included map.		✓	
104559: for the discharge of cleanfill to land in the form of spoil disposal sites throughout the general wind farm site.		✓	
104560: for the discharge of stormwater from roads, turbine platforms and other areas to land.		✓	
Palmerston North City Council – Land-use Consents			
RC0068: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to establish and operate a wind farm in the areas within the Palmerston North city jurisdiction as generally shown on the included map 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 for the western side of Pahiatua Aokautere Road not meeting access requirements at the location shown on the included map 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 for the construction of a 220 kV electricity transmission line and substations as shown on the included map. 		✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓	
Tararua District Council – Land-use Consents			
1448: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 included map for land disturbance of more than 200 m³ 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 included map for upgrades to South Range Road and the construction of new site access at the location shown on the included map for turbine and wind monitoring mast structures not meeting height requirements within the Tararua District for the modification of a Significant Natural Feature in Schedule 3.3 (ie, Tararua Ranges Ridgeline) for not meeting noise requirements for clearance of indigenous vegetation in the areas within the Tararua District as generally shown on the included map. 		✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓	

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 or fax (07) 857 0192

I/we have sent a copy of my/our submission to Mighty River Power Ltd as per Section 96(4) of the RMA.



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New Zealand Government

My name is Bev Hall of 17 Oram Drive Ngahere Park.

The reasons for my submission are:

- The closeness of turbines to housing.
 - Some of the planned turbines are very close to housing. I believe that the proposed turbines are within 1.4 Ks of our home. From searching information via the internet it would appear that 2 Ks is a minimum distance from housing allowable overseas. That we should in our inexperience allow this is a little alarming for a number of reasons.
- Shadowing/Strobing effect of the sun
 - The main reason we purchased this property as our retirement home was because we like the hills having spent the greater part of our lives amongst them, and for the view. Our home was designed by our architect to take advantage of these things. Our bedroom has very large windows looking out directly to the Tararuas. I like to watch the sun rise each morning. The location of turbines along and protruding the ridges will cause a flickering effect as the sun rises every day. The reflection of the sun goes across the room to the far wall which will also be affected by this shadowing. I will find this most disturbing.
- Sympathetic Vibration
 - I understand that the harmonic vibrations and blade noise is detrimental to health and effects the human nervous system.
- Noise Levels
 - The sounds carry very much here in the night particularly. We hear sounds from Palmerston North some 7 Ks away so I have no doubt that we will be able to hear the noise from the turbines which basically will be 24/7.
- Visual Pollution
 - We purchased this property as our retirement home before any mention of a wind farm entered the scene. We had our architect design our home so that we could take in the views of the Tararuas, the Ruahines, Ngarahoe, Ruapehu and even Egmont (Taranaki) on a clear day. The hills are something I have grown up with and enjoy for many reasons. Already the tranquility of these hills has been disturbed by the current wind farms protruding in a haphazardly fashion. My question is why disturb what is left of the Palmerston North city hill boundary, when there are many acres of hills and gullies over the ridgeline that are not near housing, will not disturb our view of the hills.
- Loss of \$ value of property.
 - A loss of prospective buyers in the market place always causes a reduction in the value of a property. There is a known lack of interest from many prospective buyers once it is known that there is a wind farm in the locality, therefore a smaller market with resultant lower values.