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I wish to thank those responsible for giving me the opportunity to make this submission in support of the proposed Turitea Wind Farm.

I live in the township of Woodville, which is in close proximity to two large existing windfarms "Te Apiti" and "Taratua" which sit astride of the Manawatu Gorge, approximately 2 klms from my home. I am only aware of one Woodville resident who finds these wind generators an abomination, the rest of the residents seem to appreciate the benefits they bring the town through accommodation during the construction period and visiting tourists stopping in the township to eat and drink before and after visiting the sites.

I am unaware of any residents of Woodville who have been affected by noise of these wind farms in the 5 years they have been operating.

I am unaware of any bird strikes that have taken place.

I do not see the towers and blades as eyesores, in fact I see them as majestic and aesthetically pleasing in comparison to concrete dams, concrete cooling towers or coal/gas fired chimneys, and I support the use of any renewable resource to generate power.

I see the proposed sites as set out in Consent Plan 0848 RK 230 as being very appropriate for the site and as being a great tourism asset for Palmerston North.

I have just this month travelled through southern California U.S.A. and viewed the 4000 wind generators sited at the town of Palm Springs. These are sited in and around the area in very close proximity to the town, not on the ridges of the hills but on the flat, with out any apparent problem. Perhaps New Zealand could learn a thing or two about siting and so save money forming access roads?

I do not wish to be heard in respect of this submission.

thank you again,

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