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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 OR Email: turiteacallin@mfe.govt.nz
 Ministry for the Environment Fax: 04 439 7705
 PO Box 10362
 The Terrace
 Wellington 6143

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): WILHELMUS ROBERT MARITIMUS CHRISTIAANS / ROBYN JOYCE HARDING

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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 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):

to oppose all wind turbines within 5Ks from any residential areas.

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): _____ Date: 22-2-09

(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.)



20/02/09 (Revised)

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RE: Opposing submission Turitea Valley, Kahuterawa, Ngahere wind farm.

To whom it may concern.

This is our submission against the proposed Mighty River Power wind farm.

Our main reasons to object are as follows:

Our house that my wife and I share is only about 1100mts away from the closest proposed wind turbine and only about 700mts from our boundary. Some people are much closer. We would like them to be at least 5ks away from housing areas.

Not being an expert on noise generation but we are sure there will be noise and vibrations created from such gigantic turbines. Just to back that up, from where we live we can hear the back up generator going and the workmen at the water treatment plant below us which is about the same distance away.

We are also concerned by the possibility of lightning striking the tall turbine towers and causing bush and forest fires and us becoming closed in by fire, like what has happened in Victoria Australia.

There is concern on noise and dust from the construction of the turbines and maybe fire risks. Also pollution from the construction vehicles.

Who could guarantee our health would not be effected by the noise and vibration ambience from the turbines. Even if anyone could, what would be done to help our discomfort and such great loss in our property values.

We have a nice forest block with native bush nesting all sorts of wonderful wild life including birds like bellbirds, Tu's, Karan's, Fantails, Tomtits, Whiteheads, Moreporks and maybe Kow's just to name a few. My concern is that the unnatural noise and vibrations and construction work will upset the nesting and scare these birds away. We have our own eco park and we aren't the only lifestyle block up here that homes wild life.

When we moved up here we came because we loved the peace and tranquility that the Turitea Valley had to offer. Its an awesome life style living here even having to deal with the weather. We came from the city, away from the fast pace with close neighbours and noisy cars and lawn mowers. So in a nut shell we don't need the noise pollution and traffic coming up to view the turbines.

We also think that PNCC and MRP haven't made the effort to inform the general public as to the size and number of the proposed turbines and the possible effects on us rural residents and the wild life.

We are not sure about any testing for noise pollution from the turbines resonating through the Turitea Valley. If so why haven't we been informed with all testing results and why hasn't someone come and tested from our property.



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

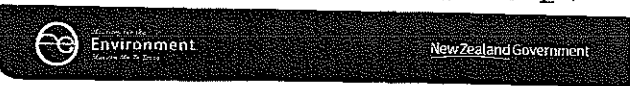
My/our submission only concerns the applications for resource consent that I/we have ticked below:

	Support	Oppose	Reserve
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.		✓	
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.		✓	
R20068:			
• 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 banded 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 rate maximum in the rural zone		✓	
• for the construction of a 220 kV electricity transmission line and substations as shown on the included map.		✓	
R20069:			
• 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 m ² 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 (e, Tararua Ranges Ridge) line		✓	
• 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:

Freeport - MRP
 Mighty River Power Ltd
 PO Box 445
 Hamilton 3240
 Attention: Stephanie Froggatt
 Or email turitea@mightriver.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.



We have not been visited by any consultant or professional personnel from MRP or PNCC to discuss our concerns or be presented with all vital information

So why upset the natural beauty of the valley and reserves.