

# SUBMISSION ON MIGHTY RIVER POWER LTD APPLICATIONS FOR RESOURCE CONSENT

Section 145 of the Resource Management Act 1991

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Wellington 6143

OR Email: turiteacallin@mfe.govt.nz  
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[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): LESLEY JEAN DEVEY KEITH ALFRED MCMURTRIE

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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 SEE THE ATTACHED SUBMISSION DOCUMENT

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):

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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): L.J. Devey K.A. McMurtrie

Date: 22 FEB 2009

(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
<b>Manawatu-Wanganui (Horizons) Regional Council – Land-use Consents</b>			
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.			
<b>Manawatu-Wanganui (Horizons) Regional Council – Discharge Permits</b>			
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.			
<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</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 included map</li> <li>for land disturbance of more than 200 m<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 included map</li> <li>for upgrades to South Range Road and the construction of new site access at the location shown on the included 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 (ie, Tararua Ranges Ridgeline)</li> <li>for not meeting noise requirements</li> <li>for clearance of indigenous vegetation in the areas within the Tararua District as generally shown on the included 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 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

**To:** Ministry for the Environment

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APPLICATIONS FOR RESOURCE CONSENT**

Under section 145 of the Resource Management Act 1991

My name is Mrs Lesley Jean Devey of 428 Pahiatua-Aokautere Road, RD 1, Palmerston North, 4471. I lived at this address in the farm cottage and looked after the farm for my son Graham for 2.25 years from February 1997. I returned to the farm in 2005, living in a dependent dwelling on the ground floor of my son and daughter-in-law's home and two grandsons. In December 2006, I was joined by my partner, Mr Keith Alfred McMurtrie, at this residence.

We support the use of wind turbines, but how many do we need? We are keen gardeners and spend many hours outside. We value an unimpeded view of the landscape to Ruapehu in the north and west to the coast.



*Working in my garden with my son and grandson on 23 November 2008.*



*Growing potatoes, pumpkins and tomatoes in the vegetable garden and glass house.*

**We have some concerns with the Mighty River Power Application for Resource Consent under Section 145 of the Resource Management Act 1991:**

1. We believe that turbines 0090 and 0092 are too close to our dwelling. See the attached map.
2. The Pahiatua-Aokautere Road is a narrow, busy thoroughfare now. How will it stand up to the increase of traffic for the proposed new wind farm development? We often host the organ club at our home. And as you can appreciate, some of the members are getting up in years, and may not be willing to come to our home any longer due to the increased road traffic.



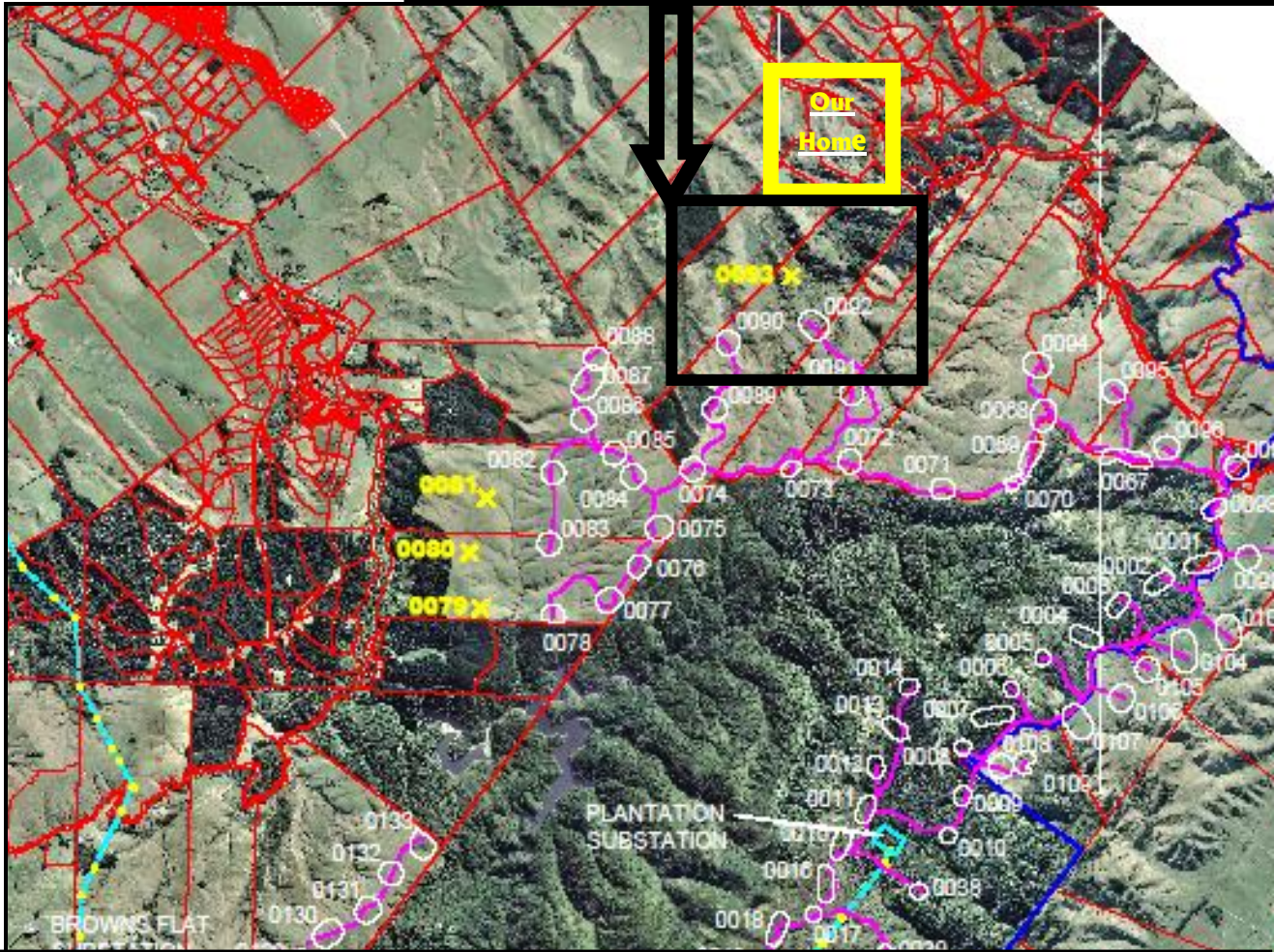
*See the narrow, twisty Pahiatua-Aokautere Road in the distance to the right of the photo (and how much my garden has grown in a year compared to November 2008)?*

3. The third concern is the possible adverse ecological and water effects in the Turitea Reserve where 66 large turbines are proposed.

**We request that the Board of Inquiry consider removing wind turbines 0090 and 0092, which are only 1 km away from our home and too close.**

**2 Wind Turbines that we are most concerned about**

**Numbers 90 & 92 (1 km from our home)**



**Source of Map**

**Drawing Number: 0848-RK231 Rev. B**

**Title: SITE LAYOUT INCLUDING SITES NO LONGER PART OF THIS PROJECT**

**Project: TURITEA WIND FARM**

**Client: Mighty River Power**