

SUBMISSION ON MIGHTY RIVER POWER LTD APPLICATIONS FOR RESOURCE CONSENT

Section 145 of the Resource Management Act 1991

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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): ELIZABETH M^C GUINNESS

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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 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):

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): Elizabeth Mc Guinness

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
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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My husband, Paddy Doyle & I bought our section (no. 50 Kerem Dr.) in Sept. '09, comprising just over 5 1/2 acres with stunning panoramic views - especially those facing into the Turitea hills.

We built a substantial residence in 2001 with a view to running our home as an upmarket bdfc when my husband retired. (As you can see from the brochure, this is, in fact what we have done). (OR WWW.LULLAGHAN.CO.NZ)

In fact a condition of purchase was an undertaking to build within a 2-yr period, AND a covenant applied which 'demied' relocation of existing structure to the site. A certain standard of design was also required. Murray Guy was the vendor & we were happy to commit to the conditions as we regarded this as a safeguard for the integrity of the overall scheme for Ngahere Park.

I assume you have digital photos taken by Shannon Bray, from the various aspects on our property. The views to the hills from our kitchen, main entrance, library & lounge are stunning. We are living our dream. We have significant views of existing trees, both large & small from our bedroom wing & lounge. These do not impact negatively on us, as the distance is reasonably "distant".

We spent well over \$1 million dollars on our home & gardens in 2001/2002 & continue to invest significant sums

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in maintenance & continual improvements.

We are living our dream. We love the peace & quiet.

And now, with our new business, peace, quiet & rural calm are the most vital aspects of our livelihood.

We are not opposed in principle, to wind turbines. In fact, we believe they are an essential source of power.

Our main objection is the significant NO. of turbines proposed. As there is a saturation of turbines already in the vicinity (Ashhurst), we feel that at the very least, the volume of turbines should be significantly reduced.

We are also concerned re. the proximity of turbines to our property & the issue of noise & "sun-glare" factor that will no doubt impact all of us in the morning sun. Also the sheer size of the structures are wholly intimidating.

What on earth did Mighty River Power think when planning this scheme.

"Lifestyle blocks" are titted so with good reason, & yes we are all loving our lifestyle in the valley & the park. Surely there are sites more remote available?

⊕ Please view our website www.kullaghan.co.nz

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I cannot REconcile any positive impact for any of us in Tui-tea (bar the land-owners). A saturation of turbines from Ashhurst to Kahurangi rd? / Kinton?.

The natural beauty of the area is indisputable. Well that will be completely vandalized - sabotaged.

Another thing I wonder about? Construction of same. Has any one queried the geo-tech report? Surely the excavation per single turbine must be enormous.

On Daddle Rd - 125 cubic metres of concrete base per turbine of 45 metres in height.

How much then for the 125 metre installation?

We've had a significant slip on our own property. 40 truck loads just to clear the driveway.

Is the TERRAINE capable of withstanding the scope of works?

What about potential issues re: water quality?

Too many concerns for which guarantees cannot be given.

Elizabeth McGinnell
20/02/09