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INQUIRY INTO RURAL WIND FARMS

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3 Labor 2 national 1 green (presiding) and 1 shooters party representative. How on earth can any reasonable person be expected to believe in the impartiality of this standing committee when the alignment between the greens, labor and shooters party is well known? After personally presenting a folder of evidence to the premier Nathan Rees which included many pictures of wind turbines on fire and pictures of bird deaths and associated and proven environmental problems it was clear he was alarmed. He said he would investigate. On our next meeting he said he didn't agree with me and failed to comment on the evidence presented. Clearly he is swayed by the developers rosey financial promises and jobs, jobs, jobs. (mostly short term). Perhaps this committee will investigate the overwhelming evidence of same not to mention the phenomenon of vibro acoustic disease, now well proven to exist. Perhaps this committee may come to realise that giant industrial wind turbines are something that has not been seen previously in human history and realise the importance of a truly independent study into their effects on the health of people and animals in close proximity and of course the environmental impacts generally and that people in the country while they may not have the voting power of those in the city, are nevertheless human beings too. Perhaps it may even think for itself and not slavishly accept the developers' drive. - They would say that, wouldn't they. - Perhaps they will look into the efficacy of wind 'power' and ask themselves why industrial wind turbines are forever getting bigger while most other energy producing technology reduces in size as it becomes more efficient. Perhaps it may question why developers always talk in terms of capacity and not of actual output. I see this standing committee as just another lapdog of the premier and business associates who, as in the case of the failed Babcock and Brown, a former major donor to state labor, can present a facade of impartiality to the voting public. I'm sure the committee will disagree with my view in this regard as of course it should if it is truly independent. Finally, perhaps the committee will question the direction this country is taking regarding renewable energy, which incidentally should be benign in its impact on people and the environment, and ask why many European countries are joining forces and investing up to a \$700 billion dollars to pipe solar thermal generated energy from the Sahara desert to European cities as they try to reduce emissions. As the hottest and most sun-drenched continent on the face of the earth how many Saharas does this country have? The installation of thousands of wind turbines in Europe has failed to make the slightest dent on emissions output. Many countries have expressed alarm that they are increasing regardless. I, and I suspect many others just pray this committee has the guts to try and actually think for itself. Perhaps it will. Sincerely Yours. William Hoorweg.