INQUIRY INTO FEASIBILITY OF UNDERGROUNDING THE TRANSMISSION INFRASTRUCTURE FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS

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My name is David McGruer and I have been an active member of the Brungle bushfire brigade for many years, 30 years as Captain and currently Deputy Captain.

I have been farming all my life and turn 71 this year.

With the average temperature rising it makes it more difficult to fight bigger fires with big overhead powerlines with electricity flashover to ground as smoke acts as a conductor.

My second point is severe interruption for using helicopters for spraying weeds and for spreading fertiliser in modern day farming practices.

My third point I would like to make is the reduction in land values. Thank you for allowing me to make a submission to this inquiry.

Regards David McGruer