An Coimisiún Pleanála 64 Marlborough St, Rotunda, Dublin 1, D01 V902

Our reference no: 25-99A&LHL01

RE: Proposed Windfarm development of 7 Turbines, 110kV substation and associated works within the townlands of Leitrim, Lumville, Ballinla, Clarkeville, Ballyfore Big, Ballyfore Little, Ballyeakin and Ballykilleen, in (Coolestown By) Co.

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An Coimisiún Pleanála - Case reference: PAX19.323579

Dear Sir/Madam,

We wish to make the following objections against the above SID application for the following reasons outlined below and can confirm that our property is located as per the attached map.

At the outset we would like to confirm that we have not at any point had any communication with any representative of Statkraft. we have received a generic "Dear Resident" letter from them, which amongst other things thanks me for my "feedback" but no such feedback was every given as no communications were ever had.

- 1. Being only approximately 0.8km from the nearest turbine we believe that flicker of sunlight and the resultant shadow flicker will be a significant problem for us and our family. We understand that turbines can be turned off to avoid such affects but we can only rely on the hope that this would be done in the event that this development proceeds and this hope is not something we can have full faith in happening.
- 2. The visual affects of such large turbines is simply a matter of fact and the utter proliferation of such large turbines in the immediately surrounding area is something that does not appear to exist elsewhere. We recognize the importance of green energy but this area surely cannot be expected to carry far more than its fair share and to now be expected to carry even more of this share.
- 3. At this proximity to the turbines we are also very concerned regarding noise affects and the cumulative noise affects of turbines in such close proximity to each other. In addition to this the prevailing winds will carry this noise towards us. The red light at nighttime will be a big issue for us and again the cumulative effect of this together

with existing red lights in the vicinity is something that we feel is very unfair for us to have to tolerate forever and extending into the lifetimes of our children.

- **4.** Due to the proximity of the turbines and the number of them we are extremely concerned regarding the wake effect on us the animals, including the extensive elite level equine industry in the area and the considerable wildlife which we have enjoyed all of our lives.
- 5. Is the future development for dwelling houses for our children and families now to be effectively sterilised due to the presence of the windfarm either by refusal of planning permission or the simple desire of people and our children not wanting to live here?
- **6.** We have received brochures over the last few years. We were then contacted by someone from Statkraft to say that the project had been pushed out indefinitely
- 7. We have an elderly parent living with us who is disabled with arthritis and will be affected by this project.

We are aware that there is cross community support against this development and we fully support the objection of our neighbour's including those with very significant health, equine and animal welfare concerns

We truly believe there is nothing to recommend this application to us or to the people of this area and we call on An Comisiún Pleanála to refuse permission for this application for all of the reasons outlined above.

| Yours Sincerely. | |
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