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Subject: Submission Regarding Proposed Wind Turbines at Cloonkett & Glenconauunmore

To whom it may concern,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to express my concerns regarding the proposal for the installation of 14 wind turbines in Cloonkett, particularly the implications of their proximity to residential housing and critical local resources.

While I fully support the advancement of renewable energy initiatives, I believe that the placement of these turbines warrants careful consideration due to several factors:

1. **Noise Pollution:** Wind turbines can generate noise that may affect the quality of life for nearby residents. Our family home is within 1km of the nearest turbine. It is essential to assess the potential sound levels and their impact on health and well-being.
2. **Visual Impact:** The turbines will significantly alter the landscape, potentially affecting property values and the aesthetic appeal of our community. Their proximity to many homes and farmlands is of particular concern. The area around Gortglass lake is an extremely popular amenity with locals and visitors. The loop walk is on the shores of Gortglass lake and Cloonsnachta lake, these are beautiful scenic places and the presence of these turbines so close to the lakes will negatively impact this scenic area.
3. **Health Concerns:** There are ongoing debates regarding the effects of living near wind turbines, and I urge thorough research and consideration of these health implications before proceeding.
4. **Environmental Impact:** The local wildlife and ecosystem could be adversely affected. The numbers and diversity of birds in the area is easy to see, many rare birds such as Hen harrier, Kestrels and barn owls are common place to see, surely the protection of this habitat is of great concern.
5. **Local water source:** I would like to emphasize that the development is located close to Gortglass Lake, which serves as a vital source of water for the local

group water scheme (GWS). There appears to be no mention of this important consideration in the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR). Given the significance of this water source for our community, it is crucial to assess any potential impacts the wind turbines may have on Gortglass Lake.

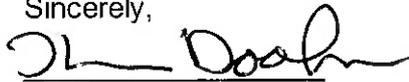
6. **Turbary rights:** I hold turbary rights in O'Donnell's bog, and the proximity of the proposed wind turbines could impact my rights and access to this land, adding to the need for thorough evaluation of the project's implications.

Since the initial mail drop over two years ago we have had no contact from cloonkettgreenenergy in the intervening time. As a community we were promised a public meeting to highlight the plans and address our concerns, unfortunately we were never informed of any meeting. Subsequently we have learned of a meeting that took place in Ennis this past May but I have yet to hear of anyone who was informed about said meeting.

I appreciate the push towards sustainable energy sources and acknowledge the importance of addressing climate change. However, I urge decision-makers to consider the concerns of local residents and ensure that any developments are not only beneficial environmentally but also respectful of community health and well-being.

Thank you for considering these points. I look forward to your response and hope for a community-friendly approach to this project.

Sincerely,



Kieran Doohan