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Observation for Application: **ACP-324155-26, Cahermurphy West Wind Farm**

My name is Nancy Burke, I was born in **Liscannor** in **North Clare** and having finished my confectionary apprenticeship in **Ennis and Dublin** I settled in **Miltown Malbay**, where I met my husband who was born in **Miltown** and grew up as part of a long standing **Miltown** family.

We served the community in many ways, **myself in the bakery** and my husband being part of the original electrification of **Ireland**, **wiring** homes to be ready for the new technology.

It is upsetting that I now find myself **writing to you to object** to the current new electricity technology of wind turbines, **that I feel strongly** is wrecking my local beautiful countryside. I have no objection to **renewable** technology but firmly believe 'right turbine and right place' is important and **the local area** is already full.

As a 93-year-old, I am unable to access the **hundreds** of documents only available through the internet- which is in itself **wrong**. **Family**, mainly my daughter and grandson have helped me understand the **application** and the more I learnt the more I wanted to formally object to the application.

The house that my husband and I built in the **early 1980's** is in Hill Road, Breaffa North, on land owned by my husband's **family**. For many years we enjoyed the amazing views, now when I come out of my front door and I turn left, I see the 29 turbines on Mount Callan: when I look **straight ahead**, I see the 4 at Cahermurphy Wind farm and this application will add a further **8 ginormous** turbines all along the ridge totally destroying the wonderful **landscape**.

I am also aware that there are a further **3 applications** for a further 15 from Mount Callan towards Moy. Miltown will be **totally encased**.

As I said I have struggled to access the **planning documents**, but I do have real experience.

My daughter and her family live close to the **Cahermurphy Wind farm**.

I have experienced the noise – blade **swish** is **very loud** and continuous. With the addition of the larger fourth turbine recently, **this has become** much worse. I worry about my grandchildren and great children **being exposed** to these dangers. What

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will it be like for the family's living next to the 8 even larger turbines of this development? Their way of life will be **destroyed**.

I have looked at the detrimental health **effects for families** caused by the turbines, with the help of my grandson.

I feel very strongly that Low Frequency Noise and its bad effects for people and in particular children and their positive development **has not** been acknowledged sufficiently. If there is any doubt about **these turbines harming** our families – they should be refused.

I have lived through '**thalidomide**' and the massive damage it did to babies and children, when scientists and medics **thought it was safe**.

I have lived through '**asbestos**' being a **wonder chemical** and the massive harm it has done with family members **dying of mesothelioma**. Sadly it is now known that scientists did warn of the dangers, but **asbestos was too** financially beneficial to a few, for heed to be taken with **disastrous consequences**.

I have listened to experienced scientists and **doctors talking** about what they know about Low Frequency Noise and the **harm it will cause** to families, particularly to children.

I am horrified that any developer would **propose and be let**, by An Coimisiún Pleanála on behalf of the Government **put these turbines up** – particularly when the detrimental effects for adults, children and animals is known.

I absolutely **object** to this development **ask An Coimisiún Pleanála to refuse** this application.

Thank you.



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Typed by my daughter, dictated and **signed by me**.