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An Coimisiún Pleanála
64 Marlborough Street
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Re: Observation on Proposed Muingmore Wind Farm Development (Case Ref: PAX16.324387)

A Chara,

My name is Veronica Coyle. I am writing as a mother, from our home in Geesala, to object to the proposed Muingmore Wind Farm.

I am not an engineer or a planner. I am writing simply as a woman raising children in this house, looking out at what this project would mean for our daily life. Since we first heard about this development, it has caused real worry in our home. I find myself thinking about it far more than I would like, about the noise our children would fall asleep to, about turbines towering over the fields they play in, and about what kind of place we are leaving them. That kind of constant, low-level worry takes a toll on a family, and I don't think that toll is something this process should overlook.

Turbines of the height proposed here, close to strong Atlantic winds, would bring noise into our home that we would have no escape from, day or night, for years on end. The visual change to the place my children are growing up in would be permanent. I worry about their futures here, and about the stress this uncertainty is already placing on all of us as a family, long before a single turbine is built.

I understand that Mayo County Council's own Renewable Energy Strategy, adopted only last week, has identified peatland such as this as unsuitable for wind energy development, because of the harm construction on deep bog can cause to carbon storage, water quality and the environment. That is the council's own considered judgement, and I struggle to understand how this development can go ahead in the face of it.

I want to be clear that I am not against renewable energy. I simply believe this site, so close to our children and our home, is the wrong place for a project on this scale.

For the reasons set out above, I respectfully request that An Coimisiún Pleanála refuse permission for the proposed Muingmore Wind Farm development.

Mise le meas / Yours sincerely,

Veronica Coyle
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