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SECTION 131 FORM

Appeal NO:_PL 310789 **Defer Re O/H** ☐

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Having considered the contents of the submission dated/ received 31-01-23 from

Andrea Rankin I recommend that section 131 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 be/not be invoked at this stage for the following reason(s):. Not circulated Pending Review by Inspector / Board

E.O.: Lisa Dunn **Date:** 8/2/23

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Section 131 not to be invoked at this stage. ☐

Section 131 to be invoked – allow 2/4 weeks for reply. ☐

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Please prepare BP _____ **- Section 131 notice enclosing a copy of the attached submission**

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Appeal No: PL 310789

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Andrea Rankin's

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To whom it concerns.

Please find attached submission regarding the following case.

Case Number ABP-310789-22

Reference Number 20120

Kind Regards

Andrea Rankin

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Case Number ABP-310789-21
Planning Authority Reference Number 20120

31st January 2023

Re: Construction of 8 Wind turbines, electrical substation, partial demolition and alteration of two agricultural buildings and all associated site development works. An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and a Natura Impact Statement have been prepared. Boargowla, Boleymaguire, Braudphark, Derreens, Derrybofin, Derrycullinan, Derrycullinan Beg, Drummanacappul, Garvagh, Garvagh Glebe, Glassalt, Lisfuiltaghan, Seltan Sheena and Tinnybeg, County Leitrim.

Dear An Bord Pleanála,

This is our submission in relation to submitted information from MKO on behalf of the Applicant to the Board on 8th December 2022.

As a local resident, I have serious concerns regarding a number of issues with reference to peat slippage and storage on the proposed site. Also, the level of noise associated with the proposed turbines.

1. The proposed height of the borrow pit and repositories 1 and 2 are between 6 and 7 meters in height. The nature of this site does not provide for this level of storage of the peat and spoil. As previously stated, this area of mountain has a history of landslides. One of which happen in May 1985 less then 1km from the proposed construction site. This landslide caused a huge amount of destruction when it occurred. Due to the proximity of the previous landslide, this history must be taken into consideration when dealing with the proposed construction works.

2. As per section 2.4 Contingency Measures Specifically for Peat Repository Locations in the Geotechnical and Peat Stability Assessment Response, I am highly concerned about the contingency measures put in place in the event of one or more buttress failures. They have addressed this issue with temporary proposed barrage locations. It seems to imply the flow can only go towards the Arigna river. They have not addressed the possibility of this peat and spoil moving further down the mountain and gathering more material and momentum as it moves. This is a very real risk to our community who live on this mountain. Evidence of this was seem when a huge landslide occurred locally on Shass mountain in 2020. The effect of the landslide is still been felt today as farmers can no longer work the land due the large volume of peat that travelled approx. 4kms.

3. During the construction stage of both the borrow pit, repository area 1 and 2 they have stated "all peat and soft clay will be removed from below the footprint of the berms, temporarily stored locally, and eventually placed either in the repository or the borrow pit ". There is no detailed report or measures included for the safe storage of this peat during construction stage. I feel this is an important detail which needs to be full addressed.

4. In relation to the noise issue raised in the F.I. requests, no new useable information has been given, quoting papers and studies is not adequate to dampen any of our concerns. From what I can see from AWN Consulting Limited's additional information, they have not said conclusively that noise will not be an issue. If anything, they have raised more concerns. The approach they seem to be taken is it might not happen but when it does, they will employ someone to assess the level of noise. I do not feel this is an adequate response to a reasonable concern. Once a turbine is constructed the noise is there for its life time. Very little can be done at that stage to mitigate the noise. We live in rural Leitrim where there is no noise pollution, if these turbines were to be constructed, they would have a huge detrimental effect on everyone in my community.

The applicant did not address the Boards questions fully and there is extreme risk peat slippage and noise pollution associated with this development.

We ask the Board to overturn this planning decision.

Yours Sincerely

Andrea Rankin