10th July, 2024

Independent Planning Commission Suite 15.02, 135 King St Sydney NSW 2000 submissions@ipcn.nsw.gov.au Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Hills of Gold Wind Farm (SDD-9679) Public Comment

I wish to object to the conditions of consent and recommendations of the NSW Department of Planning (DPI) recommending re instatement of 15 turbines for the Hills of Gold proposed wind Farm. Turbines 53-63 have visual impact both during daylight hours and disruption of the dark night skye on all the existing dwellings, 2 approved DA and the 2 other preliminary DAs we have in place for our property Wombramurra Station. These along with reinstatement of turbines 9-11 have a negative impact on our enjoyment of our land and future subdivision and development of our property. Visual Screening is not a satisfactory form of mitigation where we live.

The turbines bordering Ben Halls Nature Reserve should also be removed as recommend by the National Parks and Wildlife and should not be allowed to be micro sited closer to the Nature Reserve boundary. This will result in unrepairable damage to this critically endangered ecosystem.

As indicated by the proponent and the DPI this makes the proposed Hills of Gold windfarm economically unviable and the Independent Planning Commission should refuse this project.

Yours sincerely

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