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> To Commissioner Sykes and Commissioners,

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> I am writing to express some concerns with Engie and the Hills of Gold wind project at Nundle. In particular in relation to turbines that fail the department of plannings wind guidelines in respect to near neighbour impacts.

> Very concerned about the precedent that is being set using voluntary acquisition as a mitigation measure for visual/ noise impact and overriding the building entitlement on the near neighbour land. No attempts seem to have been made to the layout of turbines to reduce neighbour impacts. This is an extraordinary outcome of the planning department to recommend voluntary acquisition as a solution going against the guidelines they have written.

> I believe that all developers need to have the guidelines applied to all projects. Hills of Gold is being proposed in a very rugged area with many additional costs. Is it the right location? Is it a viable project? Costing is not good reason to bypass the guidelines, landowners must adhere to them.

> Regards Dave Munsie