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Dear Mr. Broderick,

Scheduled B.F.C. Hearings 10&11 Feb 2016

Thank you for your notification and invitation to attend at these hearings. I would be pleased if you could accept this letter as evidence of my intention to attend, on behalf of *Blaengwen Group*. If I am prevented from being present for unforeseen circumstance, I shall be pleased if you would take the following matters into account when coming to your determination: -

(1) The cost of this infra-structural development will in the end be borne by the public, and will be disproportionately high, simply in order to benefit the coffers of a multi-national conglomerate, and to the detriment of local residents. Wind generation, the sole reason for this development, is at best 30% efficient in terms of rated capacity generation, due to variable load factoring. Add to these, the losses caused by compulsory down time for grid balancing; transmission losses due to induced current & unwanted heat generation, and other losses to the vagaries of weather etc. will equate to an effective efficiency less than 10% of the rated capacity. (My claim here is based on a letter received from National Grid in response to a query regarding efficiency etc) These, when added to extra infra- structural costs of connection, make little financial sense, fiscally. On this basis alone, no compelling case in the public interest has been made, either for the compulsory acquisition of land, nor interference (with rights etc).

(2) Draft Development Consent Order. As proposed by WPD, it does not give adequate consideration to the well being of residents, and seeks to negate what minimal protection may be available to them. Specifically, I refer to article 17(b). Surely a developer should not seek immunity from prosecution, simply because a process is necessary for the purposes of their operations. Surely they should be required to show, that they have taken all reasonable precautions to prevent nuisance arising from their equipment. For example, transformers could be installed in underground structures, thus shielding neighbours from noise emissions.

Yours sincerely

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Robert Jones (Blaengwen Group)