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Sent: Friday, 18 October 2024 3:57 PM
To: Reception (ESC)
Subject: Regulation of Transmission licences in Vic.

Officer in Charge.

Transmission Licenses in Victoria TCV/VNI West.

Dear Sir,

Thank you Sir for the opportunity to procrastinate and lodge our objections and reasons for objecting to the TCV/VNI West proposal.

We received 2 letters from CV Transmission Company Victoria dated 15th October 2024 when in fact we should have been sent 3 letters, one with each of the three maps we received, regarding the proposals by the above companies to establish Transmission lines on our agricultural productive land.

The identification numbers of these three maps are as follows:

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1. Of these three proposals we wish to point out (2) are not relevant to the original proposal, and a third (3rd) has NEVER been discussed with us.

2. We also wish to object to the short time frame given to put in a submission to you.

3. Section 93 the Act to enter land VNI has NOT respected the Bio Security law which properties under.

We are deeply offended by a proposal by TVC/VNI West Map (Redacted for privacy) which has never been highlighted let alone discussed with us. Therefore they seem to be unaware of an existing Historic Aboriginal artefact, and of their occupation in this district.

May we highlight that it is a known fact that all the established power producing land south of Northern Victoria has been consumed by Transmission Towers that generate the expected 82% Production of power, and not 100%.

It is estimated that approx. 30% more is needed to be a successful investment in Victoria.

ALSO, The proposed areas in Northern Victoria will fail due to the lack of wind power for a greater part of a year, which exists in southern areas, and that only 7% can be gained in delivering power.

Plus it is not spoken about that GAS is needed to operate the Transmission line Towers to start the Turbine and Victoria has very little in Gas resources.

The financial blow out of infrastructure and future estimations to establish the Transmission lines by 2030 costs will continue to escalate which Victoria Tax Payers cannot afford as the Government is broke as it is.

These desk top studies, plus lack of awareness of factual reality of the proposed areas totally unacceptable by TVC/VNI West due to lack of on ground knowledge.

We understand that staff are out in the real World are doing what they are informed about to a degree.

For example an organised Coach Tour of Kerang and District earlier this week their representative was questioned about possible Fires on and around established Battery Zones. AT one Battery location worth \$400 million to establish is surrounded by Cereal Growing crops which present an opportunity for fires to start spot fires when operating machinery such with Header (harvester), Chaser Bins, Trucks, Tractors and Utes all in the same paddock on property alongside the battery.

The reply was:

“Oh we have cleared all the ground around the battery’s and wouldn’t catch fire.”

The lack of understanding, or knowledge, displayed to the farmers re the machinery creating fires was unacceptable.

Clearly ignorant of what does and can happen and HAS occurred in the districts.

Questions are asked by us and no response is given, not once have we received a reply. An example of lack of communication with Land owners.

Therefore we do not think TCV/VNI West are a fit companies to be given an EES licence to proceed.

Yours sincerely,

Colin J Fenton

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