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Dear Mr. Banks,

I attach a copy of my registration form for the Conjoined Public Inquiry into planning applications for 5 wind farms and the SP Manweb 132Kv overhead connection line.

As a member of Montgomeryshire Against Pylons, I support the Outline Statement sent to you by the Alliance. I also wish to register the following concerns:

- 1) That the effect of the National Grid "Mid Wales Connection" be included in the Statement of Matters to be considered as a direct result of the proposed wind energy developments.

The Mid Wales connection will have an adverse affect on the communities in its route in terms of landscape, environment, health, economy, wild life and cultural heritage. It will be particularly damaging to our tourism industry on which many small businesses depend for an income.

The transport of heavy vehicles and construction traffic will destroy many roads that are not built to carry heavy loads envisaged as well as cause unacceptable delays from traffic congestion.

- 2) That the net effect on employment in the region of the proposed energy infrastructure including wind farms and the grid connection be included in consideration of the economic impact.

It is now well established in European countries and Scotland. where the wind energy industry is more advanced, that for every job created in the industry 2.4-3.7 jobs are lost elsewhere in the economy. Despite claims to the contrary developers employ very few local people during construction and even fewer once the plants have been commissioned.

- 3) That communities who live in the National Grid route corridor be consulted as part of consideration of the cumulative impact of energy proposals for mid-Wales. People in this area have been consulted by their community councils and are overwhelmingly opposed to the transmission line.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Joy Sisley