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Dear Inspector,

Proposed double pole 132kV line from Llandinam wind farm to Welshpool

Having previously lived in Sarn, some years ago we moved to the Wolverhampton area but soon regretted this as the biggest mistake of our lives. We missed the Sawmills area very much and made every effort to return to it: hence we were absolutely delighted to be able to move back to our present address in September 2012.

Our primary reason for wishing to return was our love of the beautiful countryside and peaceful atmosphere in this area. It was, therefore, a great disappointment to learn that this wonderful landscape might be ruined by the construction of huge and ugly pylons. Their presence would affect our lives considerably by ruining the view from our front windows and by being regularly visible on our recreational drives around the area.

Our other great cause of distress is the fact that so many fine and mature trees in the Sawmills area are scheduled to be felled during the construction of the proposed line. We believe that the so-called mitigation measures will do nothing effectively to restore the beauty of the landscape since the replacement plants will take a great many years to reach maturity. One of our great pleasures is to enjoy watching local birds and animals and the loss of so many trees and hedgerows will inevitably mean the loss of habitat and consequent decline in numbers of local wildlife.

We know that if the proposed line is built it will have a considerable impact on the quality of our lives and on our enjoyment of an area which we have always considered absolutely beautiful. Having moved back specifically to enjoy the wonderful local landscape around Sawmills, we hope very much that it will be protected from the blight of pylons.

Yours sincerely,

David and Sheila Page