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Dear Sir,

The proposal to site 600 wind turbines in an area covering 100 square miles in one of the most beautiful areas of Mid Wales is industrial vandalism, masquerading as sustainable development.

There is nothing renewable in the construction of the turbines.

How many tons of metal are needed to make the turbines? how many megawatts of electricity are used in there manufacture?, how many litres of diesel are required to transport them from the factory onto the hills ?.How many tons of CO2 does this process produce?

The same costs apply to the massive pylons required to move the tiny amounts of electricity generated to the "hub" that is proposed on a thirteen acre site at Abermule.

More huge pylons will then be installed down the lovely Severn valley all the way to Shrewsbury.

To the huge cost of this must be added the disruption and damage to the local roads that are totally inadequate for such huge lorries. New roads will have to be constructed to the wind farms. Vast quantities of ancient moorland will need to be destroyed so that concrete pads can be laid as bases for the turbines.

This so called "Green Renewable" energy will only be achieved by enviromental vandalism on an industrial scale. This is degradation of a beautiful landscape that would shame the third world.

Wind farms are inefficient, they will only produce derisory amounts of electricity, which will be paid for in hugely inflated electricity bills for many years to come.

The only people to benefit from this proposal are the wind farm industry. Has this government's enthusiasm for wind farms got anything to do with the fact that Nick Clegg's wife and David Cameron's father in law are involved in this industry? The determined denial of the negative impact that this ruinously expensive project will have on the economy smells of vested interests not reasoned economic sense.

Yours sincerely,



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