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EPP 73 - Anonymous

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ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABLE  
National Grid Mid W Connection COMMITTEE  
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR WALES,

Dear Sir/Madam

### SUBSTATIONS AND PYLONS

I am writing to state my reasons why these should not be built in mid Wales.

A sub-station or hub should not be built anywhere close to communities but as close to the windfarms as possible.

Also it is not right asking people to choose between two sites for the hub, you are hoping that people will vote for the one further from them. You should not be allowed to build a hub close to any village or town.

There are many health reasons which are very important, I believe that these hubs and pylons can cause illness if too close to where people live.

Then there are the considerations for tourism and the price of properties which would be affected. Tourists will not come to stay in an area full of pylons marching across the countryside and why should anyone who has lived in an area for years have their property devalued because of the National Grid?

Also why spoil this beautiful countryside when the cables could be placed underground. It may cost more to begin with but once underground the cables will need less attention and work than those on the pylons so will cost less in the long run. In my opinion the Grid want pylons because it will be easier for them than going underground.

If we must have these developments the hub should be somewhere away from everything except the windfarms and all the cables should be underground.

In any case the windfarms are inefficient, do not produce enough electricity and are all a waste of time. Other countries such as Holland have already tried them and have realised this.

I really hope that everything will be reconsidered and that things can be changed before it all goes too far.