AN ILL WIND (TURBINE) BLOWS NO GOOD.

I wonder how much more farmers must be on the receiving end of vegan activists, ideological and unworkable government regulations, industrial wind turbines and industrial solar instillations in rural communities, not having a voice politically and being disconnected from our consumers who would love to know how their food is being grown and how we are looking after their nation before we start to work as a team.

I went to a community meeting last night about a proposed Industrial Wind Turbine development in a neighboring district, about 100 farmers present with two in favor of the development. It seems the only ones for these developments are inner city teal voters, people who have just signed up to have them on their properties and people who are trying to sell their properties which have industrial turbines on them.

Even at a ratio of 98 opposed and two in favor it did not take long for emotions to begin to run high. It is disturbing to see close knit rural communities fighting, the companies who are set to get filthy rich from these schemes must be loving the disharmony. If we had to get back to basics to find common ground we may have to go back to ask if they are Patriotic and do they love Australia.

When looking objectively at an industrial wind turbine project into a rural community we should ask if it is the right thing to do by Australia and its people. If turbines were going to have a positive effect on the economic, social and environment of Australia I would be all for them, but they are not and fail terribly on every level.

The turbines themselves are completely overseas made, our government is sending $1.6 billion dollars of our money a year off-shore to foreign-owned wind and solar developers. For every wind turbine that is operation it takes approximately $500,000 per year in subsidies to keep it operating. Our 600 installed turbines are costing the taxpayers $300 million dollars a year, every year. Wind

turbines and solar panels are not renewable, in fact very little of them is economically recyclable. Politicians follow the whim of society, in the years ahead society may say they have had enough of these ineffective generators and stop subsidizing them. The mess will then have to be cleaned up by the farmers, we cannot be so naïve to think the companies are going to honor any agreement to do so. The company you have an agreement with will either be sold to a shelf company or you will be fighting a multi-national in a court room of some other nation of their choosing.

So-called renewables can not reduce the cost of energy. Base load energy can not be secured with wind or solar having to be backed-up with a full standby fossil fuel power generation system. Up to seven times more mining is required per kilowatt of energy produced by 'renewables' than from fossil fuel generated kilowatts. High pressure systems becalm the Australian continent for long periods, windy nights are not effective because the power demand is not there, cloudy winters make solar worthless and battery technology is deficient. Wind and solar are not carbon neutral, it is mathematically impossible for them to ever generate enough power in their lifetime to cover the carbon it takes for manufacture, construction, operation and decommission. Ecologically they both are a blight on the landscape, wind turbines cause mass deaths of birdlife, the turbines de-energise the air resulting in less rainfall on the lee side of the instillations. Solar farms emit black-body radiation which results in hotter summers, colder winters and exacerbated weather phenomena's such as thunderstorms and tornadoes.

It is said that 'those who don't learn from history are doomed to repeat it.' You do not have to go far back to see what an environmental, social, and economic disaster the so-called renewables have been in every single nation that has embarked on this unscientific, emotive, and ideological scam. Google the disaster the American wind and solar farms have been. Thousands of acres of dilapidated solar panels leaching poison into the environment, failed wind turbines in the tens of thousands. The wind turbines which are decommissioned are buried en-masse as the blades are not recyclable, the toxic waste from decomposing composite blades is now making it into the American water table. Solar panels produce 300 times more waste per kilowatt produced than nuclear.

Until farmers get into collectives and stand up for ourselves, we are going to continue to be victims of our own independence. We can rise above independence to a stronger and better place of interdependence. Interdependence does not take farmers away from our fierce independence, it allows us to work as a team to make our community stronger and better for us and future generations. That is what www.onfarm.co was built for and its there for you to sign up and use for free.

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