

Hon. Dr Smith  
Minister for the Environment, Building and Housing  
Parliament Buildings  
Wellington

6 June 2015

Dear Dr Smith,

I have corresponded with you in the past concerning the Turitea Wind Farm Call-In and the Final Decision. There are a number of extremely serious, unresolved issues which involve you and I am offering you, as a courtesy, the opportunity to comment, as this matter is currently being prepared for international exposure.

As a key player, in what amounts to blatant fraud, you specifically knew,

1. Shonagh Kenderdine who issued the Turitea consent was not a warrant holding judge and had not been a judge for 13 months before the decision was illegally issued.
2. Palmerston North City Council is by way of a secret contract forced to pay Mighty River Power the sum of \$3 million if it helps in any way the thousands of ratepayers directly affected by the wind farm, this included myself and my wife who were lied to by the parties involved, literally for years.
3. Karen Price, lead counsel representing Mighty River Power at the Call-In, was in fact in charge of the entire Turitea wind farm project from scoping through to consent and that this conflict of interest was kept secret from the hundreds of opposing submitters.
4. Karen Price founded the New Zealand Carbon Exchange and is to clip the ticket for carbon trading not only for the Turitea and Puketoi wind farms but also for three of the four New Zealand energy companies.
5. Karen Price was acting for Mighty River Power's Puketoi wind farm at the same time as the Call-In and that this information was withheld from submitters.
6. Both the Turitea and Puketoi wind farms are deliberately located directly on top of three of the country's most dangerous fault lines; despite you having a background in geology with a PhD in landslides.
7. These wind farms would be on Mighty River Power's books for the 49% IPO to the public. Despite my best efforts and an assurance from Tony Ryall the public were not told of the risk to either taxpayers or investors of a catastrophic earthquake crippling the wind farms if not destroying them outright.

Subsequently on May 10 2015 you announced new rules for earthquake strengthening. The areas where the wind farms are placed are identified by you as high risk seismic zones. I made submissions on the danger of earthquakes to the Turitea Board of Inquiry and to Puketoi. My detailed submissions for Turitea were ignored and for Puketoi suppressed.

Last year I lodged a complaint with the Law Society over Karen Price's conduct. This matter is now before the Legal Complaints Review Office, where I am told that unexplained delays will mean no resolution until next year [if not longer].

I am now asking if you have, or anyone known to you has, applied political pressure to bury this fraud.

Yours sincerely

Paul Stichbury

Attachments:

1. This letter to you 6/6/2015
2. Your letter to me 7/11/2011
3. My complaint to the New Zealand Law Society
4. The response from the Law Society
5. My submission to the LCRO
6. Les Taylor QC's defence
7. My submission in response to Taylor
8. An impact statement
9. Correspondence with the LCRO