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Sunday 28th of June 2026

Renata Andrews



To whom it may concern,

Please accept this submission in relation to, the Star of the South draft Environmental Impact Statement.

As a retired person who has experienced much in life, I have come to truly appreciate the environment around me and how vulnerable it has become, and with it the necessity to protect the vulnerable...hence my strong convictions regarding our protected seabirds species, our Southern Right Whales and Blue Whales not to mention all living creatures, forming our complex coastal ecosystem, which will be severely impacted with the proposed long term seabed changes. All this, together with the visual and economic impact on our coastal communities, by a large-scale industrial development operating for thirty years is terribly disturbing...more disturbing is the thought of the cumulative impact arising from the proposed multiple offshore wind developments....

In relation to the impact to our Birdlife, it appears that collision risk is speculative at best, relying heavily on assumptions based on overseas experience, not a true study of Australian Bass Strait conditions with planned future adaptive management reactive rather than proactive.

Can we truly be satisfied that collision calculus and predictions for Australian seabirds are sufficiently reliable to support approval?

In relation to the Whales and Marine mammals, again the impact is huge, the identified windfarm area overlaps whale migration, feeding and other biological activity areas. The benthic disturbance of the ocean floor, on its own, would have an impact on marine feeding habits, potentially attracting invasive species. Also, I sincerely question the efficiency of the proposed bubble rings to suppress the deafening 250 decibel noise generated by construction. Will these bubbles be enough to prevent physical and psychosomatic injuries and the driving away of whales and other marine life.? Then add pollution and increased vessel activity to it all...adds to a no swim zone...

Can we truly believe that migration, feeding and communication behaviour will remain unaffected?

Other key community concerns...

- ✓ Industrialisation of a largely natural seascape
- ✓ Long term impacts of 30 years or more
- ✓ Impacts on local tourism and fishing industry
- ✓ National security due to radar interference
- ✓ Nighttime lighting impacts - Aurora Australis

Further concerns are regarding Cumulative impacts of the combined nine projects.

Cumulative assessment required for

- ✓ Bird mortality
- ✓ Whale disturbance
- ✓ Vessel traffic
- ✓ Visual impacts
- ✓ Combined construction noise
- ✓ Habitat fragmentation

Sincerely

Renata Andrews