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Your Submission

Submission to the Victorian Environment Effects Statement (EES) Inquiry and Commonwealth Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

Star of the South Offshore Wind Project

I object to the proposed Star of the South Offshore Wind Project and respectfully request that my concerns be fully considered before any approvals are granted.

After reviewing the exhibited documents and publicly available information, I am not satisfied that the environmental, economic and social impacts of this project have been adequately addressed.

My key concerns include:

The project is proposed within a highly sensitive marine environment supporting whales, dolphins, seabirds, migratory birds protected under international agreements, fish species and important marine ecosystems.

The cumulative impacts of years of pile driving, vessel movements, underwater noise, habitat disturbance, export cables and long-term operation have not been fully demonstrated.

The project's own documentation acknowledges impacts to commercial fishing, including potential loss of fishing grounds and compensation measures. This raises serious concerns about the future of Gippsland's commercial fishing industry and Australia's domestic seafood supply.

The project is proposed near internationally significant environmental values, including the Corner Inlet and Gippsland Lakes Ramsar wetlands, which support important migratory bird populations.

While mitigation measures are proposed, there remains uncertainty regarding bird strike impacts and the actual number of birds that may be affected over the life of the project.

Significant uncertainty also remains around long-term economic costs, decommissioning, transmission infrastructure, impacts on tourism and local communities, and whether the overall public benefit outweighs the environmental risks.

I am also concerned about the precedent this project sets, as it is only one of multiple offshore wind projects proposed across Gippsland, with the cumulative impacts across the region yet to be fully understood.

Given the scale of this proposal and the remaining uncertainties, I do not believe it has been demonstrated that the environmental, social and economic impacts can be reduced to an acceptable level.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that decision-makers do not approve the Star of the South Offshore Wind Project in its current form.

Thank you for considering my submission
Pam Veitch
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