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Dear Miss McCallion

PLANNING APPLICATION - D/2010/0060/F
PROPOSED WINDFARM – 42 Reservoir Road, Knockagallen, Corkey, Co. Antrim

CNCC commented on an earlier application for this site in May 2009. Our comments at this time remain valid, with our main concerns being about cumulative effects as clearly shown in Figure 2 (Volume 2) of the Environmental Statement. There is now a significant cluster of windfarms at Corkey, with the single turbine at Reservoir Road, 10 turbines at Slievenahanaghan and 10 turbines at Gruig. This development will stretch the line of wind turbines lying along the boundary of the Antrim Coast and Glens AONB quite considerably, as is demonstrated by the Figures 20, 21, 22, 24, and 26 in the Environmental Statement. With windfarms also being developed and proposed for the Long Mountain there is a real danger that the upper Maine valley will become dominated by skylines of wind turbines.

Yours sincerely



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