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Dear Mr Kirby

I am writing to support the **Hinkley wind farm proposal**. I am keen to support wind in the UK as a whole and would be very pleased to see a wind farm in this area when I visit.

I am very concerned about the irreversible damage that climate change will wreak upon the environment and landscape unless stopped. I also worry about the effect it will have on my health and livelihood, and that of my friends and family.

New Scientist recently reported that 35,000 people died last year in Europe alone because of the extreme weather events that are associated with global warming. David King, the UK Government's Chief Scientist, has said that global warming is the greatest threat that we face - greater even than terrorism.

To prevent the worst effects of global warming it is essential that we reduce our use of fossil fuels, which emit carbon dioxide, causing global warming. Every typical wind turbine installed in the UK, produces enough clean, safe electricity every single year to stop over 2,200 tonnes of carbon dioxide being released and to power over 550 UK homes. Every wind farm built is an important step towards moving the UK into the clean energy future that we urgently need.

The proposed wind farm's location, next to Hinkley Point nuclear site, highlights the stark choice that we face in deciding where our energy comes from. The government have said that if wind power is not seen to be a success then they will have to resort to building more nuclear power stations in order to tackle climate change. Wind power is one of a host of clean, safe renewable technologies that can provide the energy that we need; without contributing to climate change and without the detrimental effects to both human health and our environment caused by nuclear power - such as waste that will remain radioactive for hundreds of thousands of years.

Hinkley Point Wind Farm is a vital part of achieving a clean energy future and preventing the catastrophic effects of climate change.

Please register my support for wind power and my support for Hinkley Wind Farm.

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Yours sincerely,

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