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Dear Bianca,

Thank you for the invitation to comment on Tararua Wind Power Limited's Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (FTAA) substantive application, Mahinerangi Wind Farm (FTAA-2510-1125).

The proposal supports electricity security to the National Grid and aligns with the Government's Climate Strategy, in particular contributing to the goal of doubling renewable energy by 2050.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my broad support for projects which deliver positive climate outcomes for New Zealand, including the Mahinerangi Wind Farm project. Please take this letter of support as a reflection of the Government's climate priorities.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Simon Watts', written over a light blue horizontal line.

**Hon Simon Watts**  
Minister of Climate Change