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A brief submission on the above Bill.

While there is probably much of the fine print I personally would rather change, I do understand that such an agreement can only be reached in a spirit of compromise.

However, there is one issue which continues to cause me serious concern, and that is the inclusion of a possible Pulp Mill in the Agreement as it stands.

There is still only one Pulp Mill 'on the table' as it were, and that is the proposed Mill in the Tamar Valley.

It is urgent that any suggestion that this mill might be built, be removed from the Agreement. The reasons: social, environmental, health, employment, risk of damage to fisheries, infringement on civil rights etc. - have been discussed at length in numerous submissions to various committees and the Government over a number of years. I do not propose to detail them here.

However, I must emphasise that not only would a pulp mill in the Tamar Valley pose serious threats in the areas mentioned above, but any attempt to build such a mill will cause a re emergence of massive protests from the Tasmanian community.

Sincerely,

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