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From: John Hodgson <jbnhodgson@southernphone.com.au>
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To: tfacommittee
Subject: individual submission on The Tasmanian Forests Agreement Bill 2012 (No 30)

Mr. Stuart Wright,

Secretary

Dear Sir,

I wish to make a private submission regarding the above Bill (No 30)

My primary concern is that discussions regarding this matter appear to be between unelected ,self interested parties, rather than by the elected Government.

I am further concerned that, the above unelected parties, having come to some agreement between themselves, presented this agreement to Parliament where it appears to have been agreed to with undue haste.

Some parties,outside of this agreement, have reportedly, already stated that they will not abide by it.

The State Forests , I believe, are “ owned “ by all of us, regardless. As such, they should be managed for us by the State Government,not hived off to others to decide their fate.

Employment for all Tasmanians is ,in my opinion, another important facet of this matter.

I do not know if it is a practical suggestion at this late time, but could the State Government compulsorily purchase the late Triabunna Woodchip Mill and associated wharf so that they may be used for their intended purpose ?

Sincerely,

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