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To: Tony Harrison <tony@wearebright.com.au>

Subject: Re: Tomorrow's presentation to Select Committee

Hi Tony,

Rob is also unable to attend as Work Place Safe is visiting Tasman and he has to deal with them.

Could you please pass on our genuine apologies.

Tony, there is an opinion I would like to share given the disaster we have just been through and would have loved to have been there to make this point myself.

Greenies cannot save trees, wildlife including endangered wildlife, domestic pets, stock, human life, houses and the list goes on. In fact with all of the plantation forests that now cannot be utilised, these plantations are only contributing to the highly dangerous fuel loads in Tasmania. We must get back to clearing undergrowth and controlled burns, the Aborigines knew what they were doing regarding this. The bush-fires we experienced couldn't be fought in many cases, we were at the mercy of the weather and the winds. We still had a fire burning in our National Park two weeks after the houses were lost etc., the only thing that put that out was rain. I blame the greenies for a lot of what happened here, had we not had such a huge fuel load, maybe some trees, wildlife, stock and homes could have been saved. Do not afford them the control that they have had over this State for too long, they are a minority and should no be permitted to dictate to the rest of us Tasmanians anymore. My greatest fear is that it is only February, if we don't take Tassie out of their clutches we will very soon be looking at another 67 Bushfire. Tasmania could be totally burned out before this Summer is over.

Tony I will let you decide if you wish to pass this message on on my behalf or not.

I hope the meeting goes well, and following the bushfires down here I have an even stronger opinion against the greens than previously. With kindest regards,

Jan.

Sent from my iPhone