

Subject: Australian Marine ^_Conservation^_ ^_Society^_ letter to Minister Bailey

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To: mark.bailey@queenslandlabor.org

Date: Tuesday, 17 February 2015, 3:51:55 pm AEST

Dear Sir/Madam

Please find attached a letter from the Australian Marine Conservation Society to Minister Mark Bailey. We are sending this letter via email in advance of a Ministerial postal address being confirmed for Mr Bailey, but please do let us know if there is an address or alternative email address we should use to ensure the attached letter reaches the Minister.

Best wishes,

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Hi Bob,

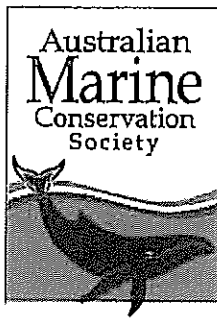
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The Hon Mark Bailey MP
Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports
Minister for Energy and Water Supply

Correspondence sent via email.

17 February 2015

Dear Mr Bailey,

On behalf of the Australian Marine Conservation Society (AMCS), I would like to warmly congratulate you on your successful election and appointment as Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and Minister for Energy and Water Supply.

AMCS has worked to safeguard the state's marine life for the past 50 years. It was very encouraging that the ALP took a number of strong policies about the Great Barrier Reef and broader environmental issues into the election, and to know that so many Queenslanders voted in favour of greater Reef protection.

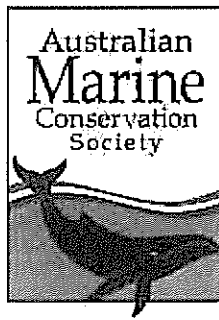
Please find enclosed a letter we have today sent to Premier Palaszczuk outlining a number of urgent issues relating to the protection of the Reef, as well as a number of broader priorities for the protection of Queensland's marine environment including marine parks, sustainable fisheries and shark conservation.

We look forward to working with you in this term of government and would welcome the opportunity to meet with you at your earliest convenience to discuss opportunities to secure the long term protection of the Great Barrier Reef and Queensland's unique marine environment.

Yours sincerely



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Director, Australian Marine Conservation Society



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The Hon Anastacia Palaszczuk MP
Premier of Queensland
PO Box 15185
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Queensland 4002

17 February 2015

Dear Ms Palaszczuk,

On behalf of the Australian Marine Conservation Society (AMCS), I would like to warmly congratulate you on your election as Premier of Queensland. Thank you for the strong policy commitments that you have made about the Great Barrier Reef and coastal and land management policies that affect the quality of the water that flows into the Reef.

We would very much appreciate the opportunity to meet with you in the coming weeks to discuss how we can best support you to secure these and other positive outcomes for Queensland's outstanding marine environment.

Of urgent concern to us are the following issues:

Protecting the Great Barrier Reef

Draft Reef 2050 Plan

A significant revision is needed to reflect Labor policy commitments before the Reef 2050 Plan is submitted to UNESCO in advance of their advice to the World Heritage Committee. There is now an opportunity to strengthen the Plan, and put additional pressure on the Federal government to increase investment and legislative protections to avoid a World Heritage "in danger" listing.

Abbot Point dredging and dumping approvals

We urge your government to write to Federal Environment Minister Hunt to formally withdraw the EPBC applications for proposed dredging at Abbot Point and for spoil disposal in the Caley Valley wetlands. We earnestly encourage you to undertake an independent review of the overall demand for port expansion at Abbot Point prior to any further work being done on alternative dumping or land reclamation options. This could be done through the development of a port master plan as proposed through the draft Queensland Ports Bill.

Queensland Ports Bill

This Bill, introduced to Parliament in late 2014, will require substantial amendments to incorporate your government's policies on port management and dredging.

Dumping Ban in the Reef's waters

The Federal Environment Minister has requested the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority prepare and release a draft regulation to ban the disposal of dredge spoil in the Great Barrier Reef

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Marine Park. This will not address dredge spoil dumping in state waters, which includes significant areas of the Reef World Heritage Area outside the Marine Park boundary. We ask your government to swiftly implement complementary legal measures under the State Planning Act to close the loophole.

Vegetation management and water licences

We urge you to introduce a moratorium on the issuing of vegetation clearing licences and water allocation licences until such time as your government has had the opportunity to reinstate pre-existing legislative controls to prevent a rush of panic clearing or water allocation grabs, as this may place significant pressure on Reef catchments.

In addition to the protection of the Great Barrier Reef, we would be very interested to explore with you or your appropriate Ministers the following broader opportunities for improved marine protection in Queensland:

Achieving sustainable fisheries in Queensland

AMCS promotes best practise management of publicly owned fish resources to ensure Queenslanders have access to seafood in perpetuity and that the environment is not degraded through fishing activity. Some of Queensland's key fisheries are still far from sustainable. As a priority, we urge your government to release the Queensland Fisheries Management Review and, subsequently, to work with the conservation and fishing sectors to improve the management and reduce the environmental impacts of Queensland fisheries.

Conserving Sharks

There are significant concerns about the sustainability of commercial shark fishing in state waters, including within the Great Barrier Reef. Tens of thousands of sharks, including endangered species, are caught without an understanding of the impact on shark populations or marine ecosystems. We urge your government to halt commercial shark fishing within Queensland waters until the fisheries can be proven sustainable. In addition, high numbers of sharks and protected species, including turtles and whales, continue to be caught by the Queensland Shark Control Program. We urge your government to authorise an independent review of the Program, specifically considering trialling non-lethal forms of shark control and net removal during whale migration season.

Supporting Queensland's Marine Parks

Marine protected areas, including marine national parks, are scientifically proven to be the best way to protect our marine environment and marine life – they benefit fish populations which in turn benefits fishers and are vital for tourism. Your government's support for well managed marine protected areas that are based on science and contribute to the national marine reserves network will be welcome.

Once again can I congratulate you on becoming Premier of our outstanding state. AMCS was founded in Queensland 50 years ago and we have a proud history of working with governments, industry and the public to safeguard the state's coastal and marine environments. We look forward to working with you and your office to protect our precious marine life, of which Queenslanders are rightly proud.

Yours sincerely,

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Director, Australian Marine Conservation Society

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Subject: Congratulatory letter from KPMG

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Dear Mark

On behalf of KPMG Queensland, please find attached a copy of a congratulatory letter on your appointment to Cabinet.

We wish you and your Cabinet colleagues every success as you take on the most important task of governing Queensland. Please contact me on (07) 3233 NR or Paul Low on (07) 3233 NR if you require any assistance.

Regards

Rob

Robert Jones

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The Hon Mark Bailey
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17 February 2015

Dear Minister

On behalf of KPMG we are delighted to extend our sincere congratulations on your recent election victory and subsequent elevation to Cabinet.

It is evident the platform outlined by your Government has resonated strongly with the electorate. The change you have been asked to lead is fundamental to the day to day lives of Queenslanders.

Queenslanders have shown they want a proactive, decisive government that is agile, innovative and willing to tackle difficult issues including responsible economic reform, employment and skills development, integrity and independence. Equally, the electorate prefers to examine alternative routes to fiscal repair other than asset leasing, including public sector efficiency and productivity. KPMG has conducted a number of public sector efficiency projects including service delivery cost benchmarking, procurement and supply chain transformation. We have also advised governments across Australia and globally on complex economic, social and environmental reforms drawing on our deep sector expertise in health and human services, transport and infrastructure, education and justice and security. We would be pleased to provide you or your office with a briefing on our thoughts in these areas if this is of interest.

We believe engagement with business, the community and broader public service will be at the heart of developing and advocating innovative solutions and outcomes for Queenslanders. We hope to be able to play a supporting role in facilitating some of this dialogue. We would welcome the opportunity to meet with you in the near future.

We wish you and your Cabinet colleague every success as you transition to Government. If we can be of assistance in anyway, please contact either me on (07) 3233 NR or Paul on (07) 3233 NR

Yours sincerely

Robert Jones
Queensland Chairman

Yours sincerely

Paul Low
Lead Partner, Queensland Government

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Barry Brook and Ben Heard: The Argument For Nuclear Energy In Australia - Scientist, Energy Consultant
In New Matilda's ongoing debate around nuclear energy, Barry Brook and Ben Heard make their case for nuclear power's role in tackling climate change

<https://newmatilda.com/2015/02/16/argument-nuclear-energy-australia-scientist-energy-consultant>

Dave Sweeney and Jim Green: South Australia Out Of Step With Global Trends On Nuclear Energy - Environmentalists

In New Matilda's ongoing debate around nuclear energy, Dave Sweeney and Jim Green make their case against nuclear power.

<https://newmatilda.com/2015/02/14/south-australia-out-step-global-trends-nuclear-energy-environmentalists>

James Paton: Nuclear taboo under review in uranium-rich Australia

While Australia is home to the world's largest uranium reserves, it has never had a nuclear power plant.

<http://www.mineweb.com/news/energy/nuclear-taboo-review-uranium-rich-australia/>

Nuclear Royal Commission moves forward in SA

Just a week after the surprise announcement that South Australia would host a Royal Commission into developing a nuclear industry, submissions are closing on what the terms of reference will be. There has been some criticism

...
<http://www.abc.net.au/pm/content/2015/s4181007.htm>

Crikey clarifier: why is a royal commission investigating nuclear power?

Royal commissions usually investigate events after they've happened, so why is the case for nuclear power being put to a royal commission in South Australia?

<http://www.crikey.com.au/2015/02/13/crikey-clarifier-why-is-a-royal-commission-investigating-nuclear-power/>

Nuclear waste dump could earn SA billions of dollars: Switkowski

A nuclear waste dump in South Australia could earn the state billions of dollars in revenue, according to former chair of the Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation, Ziggy Switkowski.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/nuclear-waste-has-potential-to-earn-sa-billions-ziggy-switkowski/6115694>

Energy Resources of Australia indicates possible extension to uranium mining near Kakadu

Energy Resources of Australia is contemplating mining near Kakadu beyond the legal limit in 2021.

<http://www.theage.com.au/business/mining-and-resources/energy-resources-of-australia-indicates-possible-extension-to-uranium-mining-near-kakadu-20150216-13fx5s.html>

Risk Of Australian Uranium In Indian Nuclear Weapons Spark Worries

Ronald Walker, a former Australian ambassador and chairman of the international Atomic Energy Agency, said the Abbott government's deal to sell the country's uranium to India has "drastically changed" Australia's longstanding policy on safeguards.

<http://au.ibftimes.com/risk-australian-uranium-indian-nuclear-weapons-spark-worries-1421523>

The sixty-year pitch.

From a dancing housewife to Homer Simpson and beyond, here are some memorable moments in the long grind to sell nuclear power to a wary public.

<http://www.environmentalhealthnews.org/ehs/news/2015/feb/essay-the-sixty-year-pitch> &
<http://www.dailyclimate.org/t/-4645648839679935650>

(Please note this article is the third of a three part series - see links to Part 1: [Last Tango for nuclear?](#) and Part 2: [Atomic Balm.](#))

Repository's future uncertain, but New Mexico town still believes.

For all the disruption the accidents have caused in the nation's efforts to clean up decades of waste from nuclear weapons production, residents of this Southern New Mexico community are largely unshaken
http://www.santafenewmexican.com/special_reports/from_lanl_to_leak/repository-s-future-uncertain-but-new-mexico-town-still-believes/article_38b0e57b-2d4e-5476-b3f5-0cfe81ce94cc.html &
<http://www.environmentalhealthnews.org/t/3724742533392571571>

CLIMATE/ENERGY/SUSTAINABILITY

Climate change & related fossil fuel, renewable energy & energy efficiency items.

Jean Palutikof: Australian Academy of Science brings climate change closer to home

The science of climate change: how big is the risk, when will it affect me, how will it affect me?

<http://www.sbs.com.au/news/article/2015/02/16/australian-academy-science-brings-climate-change-closer-home>

Garth Paltridge: Climate of cherry-picking

THE Science of Climate Change tells only one side of the story.

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/opinion/climate-of-cherry-picking/story-e6frg6zo-1227221814797>

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Garth Paltridge available on the SourceWatch website at: http://www.sourcewatch.org/index.php?title=Garth_Paltridge. More background material is available on the DeSmogBlog website at:

<http://www.desmogblog.com/nrsp-expert-a-half-hearted-denier>.)

Stuart Shapiro: What can tobacco teach us about climate change policy?

As we know now, the scientific evidence on the relationship between tobacco and lung cancer is incontrovertible. Now we have another issue, climate change, where the scientific consensus is nearly universal but the political consensus is clearly not.

<http://thehill.com/blogs/pundits-blog/energy-environment/232849-what-can-tobacco-teach-us-about-climate-change-policy> & <http://www.environmentalhealthnews.org/t/3724742533392571855>

Iconic Graph at Center of Climate Debate

The 'Hockey Stick' graph, a simple plot representing temperature over time, led to the center of the larger debate on climate change, and skewed the trajectory of at least one researcher.

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/02/150214184517.htm>

Nobel laureate asks Australia to follow UK example on bipartisan climate deal

Brian Schmidt calls on Australia's political parties to emulate Britain's joint pledge, signed by main political leaders, to urgently tackle climate change

<http://www.theguardian.com/environment/2015/feb/16/nobel-laureate-asks-australia-to-follow-uk-example-on-bipartisan-climate-deal>

Andrew P Street: So, all of Britain's major parties just agreed about climate change

Conservative party leader Prime Minister David Cameron, Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg of the Liberal Democrats and Labour leader Ed Miliband just issued a joint pledge ahead of the UK election that if carbon capture doesn't work to end emissions from coal-burning power plants, they'll shut them down.

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/comment/view-from-the-street/view-from-the-street-crack-that-chief-whip-20150216-13g9jo.html>

Peter Burdon: Shell chief calls for climate action, but what are the firm's motives?

at [International Petroleum Week](#) – one of the biggest events on the industry's calendar – Ben van Beurden, chief executive of Royal Dutch Shell, argued that big energy companies have not been assertive enough in the global warming debate and that they must advocate more strongly for climate action in the lead-up to the Paris Climate conference later this year.

<http://theconversation.com/shell-chief-calls-for-climate-action-but-what-are-the-firms-motives-37644>

Scientists call for international authority on climate geoengineering

Efforts to reverse man-made climate change need international oversight before research can proceed, a meeting of scientists has heard

<http://www.abc.net.au/environment/articles/2015/02/16/4180950.htm>

USA Today Editorial: Geoengineering won't solve climate change.

As a National Academy of Sciences panel reported last week, solar geoengineering is no substitute for efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to a changing climate.

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2015/02/15/climate-change-solar-geoengineering-greenhouse-gases-editorials-debates/23465849/> & <http://www.environmentalhealthnews.org/t/-6015133987797532767>

R Going Negative With Carbon**

A growing number of scientists warn that low-carbon technologies might not be enough to curb global warming. The solution, they say, could require a new suite of carbon-negative technologies that actually remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere.

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/02/150214184515.htm>

Wetlands 'hold great potential' to fight climate change

Australian researchers are embarking on a project to find out how swamps and wetlands could be used to help fight climate change.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/australian-researchers-believe-swamps-could-fight-climate-change/6107624>

Can Cattle Grazing Management Technique Help Capture and Store Carbon in Soil?

Can beef production help restore ecosystems? Scientists are examining the adaptive multi-paddock (AMP) grazing management technique that involves using small-sized fields to provide short periods of grazing for livestock and long recovery periods for fields. The method mimics the migrations of wild herd animals, such as elk, bison and deer. The science team proposes a whole system science measurement approach in comparing AMP grazing with conventional, continuous grazing methods.

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/02/150214184521.htm>

Researchers forecast mega-drought in parts of US in second half of century

Global warming will bring the "risk of a decades-long mega-drought in the American Southwest and Great Plains during the second half of the century, researchers say.

<http://www.smh.com.au/environment/climate-change/researchers-forecast-megadrought-in-parts-of-us-later-this-century-20150215-13fk65.html>

First-Ever Evidence of Climate Change of Northern China Region Dating Back Thousands of Years

Using a relatively new scientific dating technique, geologists were able to document -- for the first time -- a drastic climate change 4,200 years ago in northern China that affected vegetation and led to mass migration from the area.

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/02/150216160005.htm>

New Ozone-Destroying Gases on the Rise; Not Controlled by Treaty

Scientists report that chemicals that are not controlled by a United Nations treaty designed to protect the Ozone Layer are contributing to ozone depletion.

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/02/150216130241.htm>

More Infectious Diseases Emerging in Animals as Climate Changes, Say Zoologists

The appearance of infectious diseases in new places and new hosts is a predictable result of climate change, say zoologists in a new article. Climate change brings humans, crops, wildlife and ...

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/02/150216064931.htm>

Satellite Images Reveal Ocean Acidification from Space

Pioneering techniques that use satellites to monitor ocean acidification are set to revolutionize the way that marine biologists and climate scientists study the ocean. This new approach offers remote monitoring of large swathes of inaccessible ocean from satellites that orbit the Earth some 700 km above our heads.

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/02/150216064929.htm>

Climate Change Can Cause Loss of Important Ice Dynamics in Streams

Ice and winter floods are important natural disturbances for maintaining species-rich riparian zones along northern watercourses. If the climate becomes warmer this disturbance might be lost.

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/02/150216064826.htm>

How Carbonates Behave in Earth's Interior

Carbonates are the most important carbon reservoirs on the planet. But what role do they play in Earth's interior? How do they react to conditions in Earth's mantle? These are the questions being asked by a group of scientific researchers from various geoscience disciplines.

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/02/150216064747.htm>

Other related fossil fuel, renewable energy & energy storage technology items/Global Divestment Day

Minerals Council calls for green groups to be stripped of charity status

The Minerals Council is calling for green groups to be stripped of their charity status. The lobby group says activists are masquerading as environment organisations and should not receive special tax treatment but critics it's an attempt to squash free speech.

<http://www.abc.net.au/worldtoday/content/2015/s4180628.htm>

Anglo American putting up 'for sale' sign

MINER Anglo American will conduct a sales process for more than half its Australian coal production.

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/business/mining-energy/anglo-american-putting-up-for-sale-sign/story-e6frg9df-1227221950897>

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Chinese coal ship sails through Great Barrier Reef without pilot; captain arrested

The Australian Federal Police arrest the captain of a Chinese coal ship for sailing through part of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park without a pilot.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/chinese-coal-ship-captain-arrested-sailing-through-reef-no-pilot/6115514>

Long clean up after coal train derailment

What is expected to be a week long clean-up and repair operation begins today at the site of a coal train derailment in the Upper Hunter.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/long-clean-up-after-coal-train-derailment/6113836>

Germany moves to legalise fracking.

Germany has proposed a draft law that would allow commercial shale gas fracking at depths of over 3,000 metres, overturning a de facto moratorium that has been in place since the start of the decade.

<http://www.theguardian.com/environment/2015/feb/14/germany-legalise-fracking-shale-gas-hydraulic-fracturing> & <http://www.dailyclimate.org/t/3724742533392571551>

R Stephen King: Agreeing on standards is a key to electric vehicles**

Standards are a key part of technical progress and for the increased use of renewable energy.

<http://theconversation.com/agreeing-on-standards-is-a-key-to-electric-vehicles-37624>

Leading scholar presents advances in research of electric car batteries at AAAS

Lithium-sulphur batteries promise to extend the range of electric cars at least three times over current lithium ion cells and at much lower cost, making electric cars practical and potentially more appealing to a mass market

http://www.eurekaalert.org/pub_releases/2015-02/uow-lsp021315.php

Other issues – news items, opinion & analysis, research developments

Australia – national & interstate issues

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<http://www.abc.net.au/worldtoday/content/2015/s4180628.htm>

Jenna Price: Tim Wilson - nowhere to be seen, or heard

There is one human rights commissioner who should get the sack

And it's not president Gillian Triggs, a former dean of law at the University of Sydney, who has come under sustained attack from the Prime Minister Tony Abbott and his News Ltd cheer squad since the Wednesday launch of her report on children in detention. ...

I note from *The Australian* that there is some suggestion that George "right to be a bigot" Brandis apparently offered Triggs inducements to resign before the report was published and she would get an appointment to another body. I also note that this is another part of a campaign to stop advocacy entirely.

The Community Legal Centres have felt the brunt of cuts determined to stamp out the kind of speech which aggregates the voices of the disempowered in order to more properly inform discussion. The Australian Human Rights Commission also acts as that kind of advocate because it's looking out for those who can't look out for themselves, who can't get purchase on the powermaking tools in this country.

<http://www.smh.com.au/comment/tim-wilson-nowhere-to-be-seen-or-heard-20150216-13g14i.html>

Crispin Hull: Tony Abbott unaware Micawber's equation no longer adds up

When it comes to fiscal policies, the government, rather than acting in a grown-up way, lets fools, ideologues and industry mates hold sway

<http://www.theage.com.au/comment/tony-abbott-unaware-micawbers-equation-no-longer-adds-up-20150213-13b0mb.html>

Peter Reith: Double dissolution should be considered to break political impasse

Time is running away with the government's chance to do something about our rising debt.

<http://www.smh.com.au/comment/double-dissolution-should-be-considered-to-break-political-impasse-20150216-13fu1l.html>

Rohan Bilney: Legislators should have deer in the cross-hairs

DEER represent a significant and growing pest threat in Australia

This is because deer cause serious environmental and agricultural impacts, which will inevitably worsen as populations increase.

<http://www.weeklytimesnow.com.au/news/opinion/legislators-should-have-deer-in-the-cross-hairs/story-fnkerdb0-1227214593990>

Victoria

Rail funding fast-tracked by Victorian Government

The proposed Melbourne Metro Rail Project is being fast-tracked, with the Victorian Government bringing forward \$40 million to begin construction on a system "similar to New York and London".

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/victorian-government-fast-tracks-funding-for-melbourne-metro/6116042>

Even with dry weather, full irrigation water allocations expected in northern Victoria next season

Most irrigators in northern Victoria can expect a full water allocation next season.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/vic-irrigation-outlook/6118770>

Herald Sun Editorial: Spend money wisely

THE Andrews Government has announced it will spend \$40 million to create an authority to oversee its Melbourne metro rail project.

<http://www.heraldsun.com.au/news/opinion/spend-money-wisely/story-fni0ffsx-1227221925092>

New South Wales

Blue green algal blooms spark health alert for the Port Macquarie Hastings area

Blue green algal blooms in the Port Macquarie Hastings area have prompted a health warning from authorities

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/blue-green-algal-blooms-spark-health-alert-for-the-port-macquarie/6114206>

How developers won the Newcastle waterfront

The NSW government rejected official advice about the best route for light rail into Newcastle in favour of a plan that costs tens of millions of dollars extra and allows for more property development, cabinet documents reveal.

<http://www.smh.com.au/nsw/nsw-government-rejected-advice-on-newcastle-light-rail-opted-for-developers-preference-20150215-13fnoi.html>

Greens - scrap WestConnex, delay rail crossing

The WestConnex motorway would be scrapped and there would be no work on another harbour rail crossing for five years under the Greens' transport policy.

<http://www.smh.com.au/nsw/nsw-state-election-2015-greens-would-scrap-westconnex-delay-sydney-harbour-rail-crossing-20150216-13fxp6.html>

Where should the new train line go?

A new metro rail line between Parramatta and central Sydney should be examined as an alternative to connecting another harbour rail crossing to the Bankstown Line at Sydenham, according to some transport and urban planners.

<http://www.smh.com.au/nsw/call-for-debate-over-sydney-trains-bankstown-line-or-parramatta-metro-20150216-13ftjc.html>

Crisis looms for Sydney train commuters

Major corridors in Sydney's rail system will be overloaded within five years, the government's own analysis shows, with commuters throughout the city regularly confronting trains too crowded to board.

<http://www.smh.com.au/nsw/crisis-looms-for-sydney-train-commuters-20150213-13eao8.html>

ACT

ACT commissions study into links between Mr Fluffy, mesothelioma

The ACT Government commissions the nation's first detailed long-term health study into the risks of living in houses contaminated with Mr Fluffy asbestos.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/act-government-commissions-mr-fluffy-health-study/6114008>

Canberra Times Editorial: Minister Joy Burch's role in Menslink affair needs investigating

Second chances are a crucial aspect of the criminal justice system, and when Lloyd Burch was offered his after falling afoul of the law in October 2013, he grabbed it with both hands.

<http://www.canberratimes.com.au/comment/ct-editorial/minister-joy-burchs-role-in-menslink-affair-needs-investigating-20150216-13frl0.html>

Queensland

Graziers pushing new Queensland Government to put Great Artesian Basin Sustainability Initiative high on agenda

Western Queenslanders are calling for the new Queensland Government to have the Great Artesian Basin Sustainability Initiative high on its list of priorities.

The Great Artesian Basin is said to be western Queensland's lifeline; graziers say without access to the underground water resource the current drought would have seen a mass destocking of the region.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/qld-election-gabsi/6116464>

Great Barrier Reef: late-season cyclone could help coral reef

The threat of major coral bleaching in the Great Barrier Reef looks to be receding with the onset of stormier weather.

<http://www.smh.com.au/environment/weather/great-barrier-reef-lateseason-cyclone-may-ease-coral-bleaching-threat-20150215-13fmt9.html>

Daydream Island sold to Chinese investors

Queensland's Daydream Island Resort will be sold to Chinese investors after owner Vaughan Bullivant dropped his asking price from \$65 million to \$30 million.

<http://www.brisbanetimes.com.au/queensland/daydream-island-sold-to-china-capital-investment-group-20150216-13fv85.html>

Opposition leader Bill Shorten stacks up advice for Far North

LABOR leader Bill Shorten has some advice for the Far North — whatever we need, we need to make sure it stacks up, first...

On Aquis, Mr Shorten said it was all about the business case.

<http://www.cairnspost.com.au/news/cairns/opposition-leader-bill-shorten-stacks-up-advice-for-far-north/story-fnjpusyw-1227221940857>

South Australia

'We've saved our park land once, we'll do it again'

A FIGHT to stop treasured open space in Adelaide's east from being developed into near wall-to-wall housing is expected to begin in earnest this weekend.

<http://www.adelaidenow.com.au/messenger/east-hills/liberals-urge-residents-to-protest-sale-of-glenside-hospital-during-renewal-sa-open-day-on-saturday-february-21/story-fni9lkyu-1227221380606>

*Northern Territory***Banana freckle - cloning bananas a possibility in new Northern Territory lab**

Freckle-free bananas could be cloned in a new Northern Territory lab, which will propagate disease-free plants across a range of crops.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/cloning-freckle-free-bananas-a-possibility-in-new-nt-lab/6119484>

Kakadu National Park implements new draft management plan to set goals for the next 10 years

Kakadu National Park is implementing a new management plan which will guide the park over the next 10 years.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/kakadu-draft-management-plan/6082054>

Other countries, global & international issues, research news

Monash University students tap miracle carbon to cleanse water

MAGNETS and a Nobel prizewinning wonder material could team up to overcome toxic overload in our waterways.

A proof-of-concept study led by a Monash University undergraduate student has demonstrated an astonishingly simple way to cleanse water of contaminants, from lead and mercury to dye and antibiotics.

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/news/health-science/monash-university-students-tap-miracle-carbon-to-cleanse-water/story-e6fng8y6-1227221908433>

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National Australia Bank emphasises natural capital in banking policy

A momentous shift in thinking for some of the world's largest corporations is giving a whole new meaning to the term 'environmental sustainability'

Forty big global businesses, including the National Australia Bank, will now consider the value of "natural capital" in their accounting policies.

The bank is one of the signatories to Natural Capital Declaration, a global agreement to try and develop a way to incorporate natural capital factors across their businesses.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/natural-capital-gives-value-to-sustainable-farmers/6117094>

Controlling Car Pollution at the Quantum Level

Researchers are working towards a new generation of automotive catalytic converters.

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/02/150216092049.htm>

ABS: Sales of New Motor Vehicles, Australia

SUV sales continue to increase despite recent trend of declining vehicle sales

<http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/wmdata.nsf/CheckProduct?OpenAgent&9314.0&16022015>

Paul Drevnick: The mercury level in your tuna is getting higher.

The ultimate solution to the problem is to control mercury emissions to the atmosphere at their source, which is the aim of the new United Nations Environment Programme's Minamata Convention on Mercury

<http://theconversation.com/the-mercury-level-in-your-tuna-is-getting-higher-37147> &

<http://www.environmentalhealthnews.org/t/3724742533392571566>

Military technology helps Antarctic researchers find blue whale hot spot

Scientists in the Ross Sea, off the coast of Antarctica, say they are surprised by the success of sonar systems in tracking blue whales

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/antarctic-researchers-find-and-follow-large-pod-of-blue-whales/6119322>

Landowners challenge logging approval in Solomon Islands

A logging company majority-owned by Solomon Islands' forestry minister is facing a legal challenge from landowners keen to protect the cloud forest on Kolombangara Island in the country's Western Province.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-02-16/solomon-islands-landowners-challenge-logging-approval-kolombangara/6091994>

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Subject: FW: Ergon Breach of Agreement - draft correspondence (Our ref: 4150229)

From: simmo@etu.org.au

To: mangocube6@yahoo.co.uk

Date: Tuesday, 17 February 2015, 12:45:55 pm AEST

Mate,

A heads up, we have yet to sit down and run through the rules of engagement but this one blew up this morning and the attached is the way we normally handle things as you know.

Only change is that we are giving you a heads up on it

These are about to be sent or have already been sent, I've been out so not sure

Cheers

Simmo



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28 June 2018

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Our Reference
CM:4150229

Your Reference

By Email: ian.mcleod@ergon.com.au
CC Email: mal.leech@ergon.com.au

Dear Mr McLeod

Re: Breach of Ergon Energy Union Collective Agreement 2011

We refer to the above matter and advise that we act on behalf of the Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union of Australia (the "CEPU").

We are instructed as follows:

1. Ergon Energy Corporation Limited ("Ergon") is covered, within the meaning of the *Fair Work Act 2009* (Cth) (the "Act"), by the *Ergon Energy Union collective Agreement 2011* (the "Agreement").
2. On 4 February 2015 Mr Steve Leighton, General Manager, Customer Delivery advised Mr Stuart Traill that Ergon proposed to:
 - (a) contract out the pole nailing services currently provided by Ergon employees; and
 - (b) make 8 current Ergon employees redundant (the "Outsourcing Proposal").
3. On 4 February 2015 Mr Leighton gave Mr Traill information which purportedly discharged Ergon's obligations in accordance with schedule 8 of the Agreement. Ergon assert that the Outsourcing Proposal meets the guidelines set out Schedule 8 on the basis that it is "in the public interest".
4. On 9 February 2015 Mr Traill advised Mr Leighton in writing that the CEPU disputed the veracity of the figures provided by Ergon in respect of the Outsourcing Proposal.
5. On 16 February 2015 Mr Leighton acknowledged receipt of the CEPU's dispute and provided further information relating to the Outsourcing Proposal. Mr Leighton also advised that Ergon also proposed to proceed with discussing the proposal with affected employees. That is, Ergon proposed to meet with the employees who would be made redundant if the

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- Outsourcing Proposal proceeded and advise them that they were likely to be made redundant.
6. On 16 February 2015 Mr Traill sent correspondence to Mr Leighton confirming that the CEPU disputed the figures provided by Mr Leighton and, in accordance with the dispute resolution clause in the Agreement, requested that Ergon maintain the status quo until the dispute had been resolved.
 7. Mr Leighton did not respond to Mr Trail's correspondence.
 8. On 17 February 2015 Mr Trail again wrote to Mr Leighton confirming that the CEPU was still in dispute with Ergon and requesting that Mr Leighton confirm that Ergon would take no steps to advance the Outsourcing Proposal, such as holding meetings with affected employees, until the dispute had been resolved in accordance with the Agreement. Mr Leighton did not respond to this correspondence.
 9. Mr Leighton has scheduled meeting with affected employees to discuss their redundancies and the Outsourcing Proposal on 3:00pm on 18 February 2015.

As you would be aware Schedule 8 to the Agreement requires Ergon to give the CEPU advanced notice of any intention to engage contractors for core work. The outsourcing proposal involves the engagement of contractors to perform core work. As a consequence Ergon are obliged to provide certain information to the CEPU and consult with the CEPU about that proposal. Further, Ergon are only entitled to proceed with the Outsourcing Proposal if they can demonstrate that it is in the public interest.

The CEPU does not consider that the information provided by Ergon, about how the alleged costs savings and how it is that the Outsourcing Proposal is purportedly in the public interest, is accurate or correct. As a consequence of the information provided by Ergon, the CEPU does not consider that Ergon has complied with the obligations imposed by Schedule 8. The CEPU has therefore notified Ergon that it is in dispute with Ergon about the Outsourcing Proposal and Ergon's non compliance with Schedule 8 of the Agreement. In this regard we also note that Mr Robert Hill, an Ergon employee, has notified Ergon of the same dispute in respect of the Outsourcing Proposal.

Pursuant to clause 2.1 of the Agreement Ergon is bound to maintain the status quo until the dispute is resolved. Mr Leighton's proposal to commence meetings with employees for the purpose of advising them that their positions are likely to be made redundant is not consistent with the obligation to maintain the status quo.

We are instructed to request that you give an undertaking that Ergon will abide by clause 2.1 of the Agreement and maintain the status quo until the CEPU and Mr [insert name]'s disputes are resolved. We are instructed that if such an undertaking is not provided by 4:00pm on even date we are to commence proceeding in either the Federal Court of Australia seeking, amongst other things, urgent interlocutory relief restraining Ergon from implementing the Outsourcing Proposal.

We look forward to your prompt response.

Yours faithfully

Charles Massy
Hall Payne Lawyers

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Government Owned Corporation Ergon Energy has today announced that it intends pushing ahead with the privatisation/outsourcing of some of its core functions (pole nailing). The revelation comes despite the result of Queensland election which overwhelmingly rejected the previous Government's privatisation agenda.

The Electrical Trades Union's Electricity Supply Industry Co-ordinator Stuart Traill said the actions are contrary to the will of the Queensland people.

"Here we have Ergon, a Government-owned company which is adamant that they will ignore the mandate given to the ALP a few weeks ago to end the privatisation of our electricity industry and instead they are pushing ahead with making eight workers redundant, it is an absolute disgrace and we will fight it all the way"

"Ergon will say it is cheaper to use contractors for the pole nailing function, however history shows us that whenever contractors have been used for core functions they have been far more expensive in the long run, the figures provided to the ETU by Ergon do not reflect the total cost of this work going to contract"

"This type of bullying behaviour was the hallmark of the previous LNP Government which saw 1780 jobs slashed across the public electricity industry in less than three years. We have written to Ergon today, seeking a maintenance of the Status Quo until further talks on the issue can commence. Ergon has until 3pm to avoid the Union lodging an injunction in the Federal Court to attempt to stop more industry jobs being lost.

For further comment Stuart Traill or Andrew Irvine

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Subject: FW: Breach of Ergon Energy Union Collective Agreement 2011 (Our ref 4150229)

From: simmo@etu.org.au

To: mangocube6@yahoo.co.uk

Date: Tuesday, 17 February 2015, 1:19:07 pm AEST

Sorry mate, has just been sent, fyi

From: [redacted] NR [mailto:[redacted] NR @hallpayne.com.au]

Sent: Tuesday, 17 February 2015 1:18 PM

To: Peter Simpson (ETU); Stuart Traill

Cc: Charles Massy

Subject: FW: Breach of Ergon Energy Union Collective Agreement 2011 (Our ref 4150229)

Dear Stuart and Peter

Attached is the letter sent just now to Ergon.

Kind regards

[redacted] NR | Associate
Hall Payne Lawyers
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From: [redacted] NR

Sent: Tuesday, 17 February 2015 1:16 PM

To: 'ian.mcleod@ergon.com.au'

Cc: 'mal.leech@ergon.com.au'; [redacted] NR [redacted] NR Charles Massy

Subject: Breach of Ergon Energy Union Collective Agreement 2011 (Our ref 4150229)

Dear Mr McLeod

Please find **attached** correspondence in relation to this matter.

Kind regards

NR on behalf of *Charles Massy*

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Subject: Meeting Request from Taxi Council Queensland

From: NR @tcq.org.au

To: mark.bailey@queenslandlabor.org

Date: Tuesday, 17 February 2015, 1:10:44 pm AEST

Dear Mr Bailey

My name is Nia Cho, I'm the Communications Officer at Taxi Council Queensland.

I am writing on behalf of Mr Benjamin Wash, Taxi Council Queensland representative, to request a meeting with you.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss about the unregulated/illegal ride-sharing apps in Queensland.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could advise me of your availability for the meeting at your earliest convenience.

We look forward to your reply to our meeting request.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Kind Regards,

Nia Cho

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Subject: Fw: Ministerial contact details

From: mangocube6@yahoo.co.uk

To: bob NR

Cc: yeerongpilly@parliament.qld.gov.au

Date: Tuesday, 17 February 2015, 10:00:45 pm AEST

Hi Bob,

We need a Ministerial email asap please.and can you have someone advise my electorate office when we do know? Thanks! Mark

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Subject: Ministerial contact details

From: felix [redacted] NR

To: mangocube6@yahoo.co.uk

Date: Tuesday, 17 February 2015, 12:10:58 pm AEST

Hey Mark,

Robin and I have been getting a lot of enquiries regarding your new portfolio. Would you be able to send us your Ministerial contact details as soon as you get them?

Thanks!

Felix

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Subject: Fwd: Key Stakeholder List

From: bob [redacted] NR

To: bailey_mark@outlook.com

Date: Tuesday, 17 February 2015, 8:53:40 am AEST

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Date: 16 February 2015 20:21:43 AEST
To: Bob MacDonald <bob [redacted] NR>
Subject: Fwd: Key Stakeholder List

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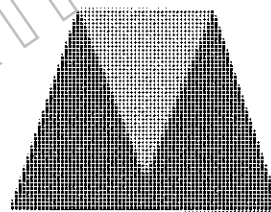
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QUU	Ms	Louise	Dudley
Unitywater	Mr	George	Theo
IWC	Mr	Mark	Pascoe
IPEWA (Qld)	Mr	Ged	Brennan
Master Plumbers' Association of Qld	Mr	Kelvin	Slade
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Australian Energy Regulator (AER)	Ms	Paula	Conroy
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Origin Energy	Mr	Andrew	Bills
AGL	Prof.	Paula	Simshauser

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President	Local Government Association of Queensland
General Manager, Advocacy	Local Government Association of Queensland
Director, Innovations partnerships	Queensland Water Directorate
Chief Executive Officer	Queensland Urban Utilities
Chief Executive Officer	Unitywater
Chief Executive Officer	International Water Centre
President	Institute of PUBLIC Works Engineering Australiasia (Queensland I
President	Master Plumbers' Association of Queensland
Chairperson	Water Services Association of Australia
President	Water Industry Operators Association of Australia

Chief Executive	Australian Energy Regulator (AER)
Senior Director	Australian Energy market Commission

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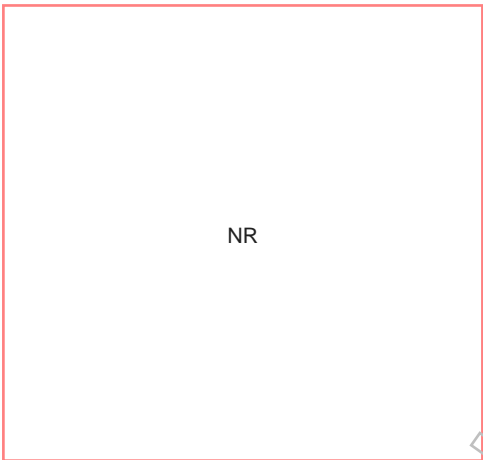
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Subject: Fw: Consumer Electricity

From: mangocube6@yahoo.co.uk

To: bob NR

Date: Tuesday, 17 February 2015, 10:06:55 pm AEST

Min corro for logging and response. Tal M

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Subject: ^_Consumer^_ ^_Electricity^_

From: NR

To: mark.bailey@queenslandlabor.org

Date: Monday, 16 February 2015, 2:02:46 pm AEST

Mr. Mark Bailey,
Minister for Energy,
State of Qld.

16th February 2015

Dear Sir,

RE: Solar Energy and the State owned Energy Retailers of Energex and Ergon.

I have been watching the events occurring within the Campbell regime in their dealing with the above. Incidentally, I am delighted that Queenslanders were able to clearly show their dismay at the conduct of the previous government at the polls, perhaps more are like me, rating government on their performances rather than on a party line.

The legacy I am concerned about is the authority given by Qld government to allow both Ergon and Energex to raise tariffs in order to cover the payouts of the Solar Rebate*. This is grossly unfair to those in our society that can least afford these extra charges.

I suggest an alternative, and that is to limit the rebate to a maximum of a Zero electricity bill. Meaning that no profit can be made by a domestic consumer when Solar panels are linked to the Grid. I doubt that this was ever meant to occur in the first place. Therefore no refund cheques will ever need to be sent out, particularly to the recipients of the 44c rebate. At least it would save some of the \$135m due to be recovered from the consumer.

Once explained that in exchange for No compensating increases by Ergon and Energex that the 44c rebate has to be limited, the public would support the move.

Next the current 6.53c rebate is very low considering the average cost of purchasing electricity is around the 6c mark. Householders now connected and receiving 6.53c rebate should be compensated not just for the cost price of the energy but also an allowance for capital costs, after all it is an investment that is both favourable to the Householder and the Energy retailer. Perhaps an allowance of 2c per Kwh would be a reasonable rate over and above the 6.53c.

Consumer produced electricity does not have the enormous jumps in the spot rate similar to those that occurred in December 2014. In a matter of a few hours over two days the year-to-date (from July 1) which is just short of 6-months, caused the average usage for Queensland to rise from 3.2c per kwh to over 6c kwh.

I trust that you will make yourself familiar with these issues and deal with them in your new position as Energy Minister.

Yours faithfully

NR

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<http://www.aer.gov.au/sites/default/files/AER%20-%20Final%20decision%20on%20Ergon%20Energy%20solar%20bonus%20scheme%20pass%20through%202013-14%20-%20December%202014.pdf>

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Subject: Re: Draft Brief

From: simmo@etu.org.au

To: mangocube6@yahoo.co.uk

Date: Tuesday, 17 February 2015, 9:45:46 pm AEST

Yes mate I can only imagine how hectic your new world is, I struggled taking on this role at first but once you're across it you'll own it

Got a few tales to tell you over a coffee, we need the EBA's sorted fairly quickly, our blokes wanted to file for protected action before the election, we convinced them to wait until after it, good will can buy us some time but we will need to deliver them

On another note, don't know if you know Lloyd Casey? Worked for the ASU for years, ex power station operator, now high up in the PS working in IR in Emergency Services

Has been playing the PS game since around 2004 from memory, knows the electricity industry inside out, might be worth a look? He's a bigger workaholic than you

Anyway NR will chat with you when you have some clear air

Chin up Comrade, you are going to smash this role

Simmo

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Subject: Re: Draft Brief

From: mangocube6@yahoo.co.uk

To: simmo@etu.org.au

Date: Tuesday, 17 February 2015, 9:55:08 pm AEST

I am back-to-back 7.30-7pm tomorrow Simmo. How about 8am Thurs morning for a coffee and chat at my office? We're 15th floor Capital Hill Building, 85 George St corner of Mary St.

I've then got induction from 9am til end of the day so might be best to grab a slot before it gets worse. Let me know if that works? M

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Subject: Re: Draft Brief

From: simmo@etu.org.au

To: mangocube6@yahoo.co.uk

Date: Wednesday, 18 February 2015, 8:06:00 am AEST

Yup mate lock in 8am tomorrow

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Subject: Re: Draft Brief

From: simmo@etu.org.au

To: mangocube6@yahoo.co.uk

Date: Wednesday, 18 February 2015, 5:43:46 am AEST

Yeah can do I think, I'll confirm later today eh

Regards,

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Subject: Fwd: Thanks - response from Wayne Drinkwater

From: Terri.Butler.MP@aph.gov.au

To: mangocube6@yahoo.co.uk; Susan.West@aph.gov.au

Date: Monday, 16 February 2015, 3:46:26 pm AEST

Hi Mark

Something you may be interested in. Can you call me?

Terri Butler

Begin forwarded message:

From: Wayne Drinkwater <wayned@periurbanpd.com.au>
Date: 16 February 2015 1:30:57 pm AEST
To: "Butler, Terri (MP)" <Terri.Butler.MP@aph.gov.au>
Subject: Re: Thanks - response from Wayne Drinkwater

Thanks Terri

More than happy to show you over Brolga – simply let me know a day and time that works and I'll work around you.

Yes, we think the hydrogen cell technology is pretty cool – it also generates clean hydrogen as a by-product – Hyundai announced back in December the launch of their new i30 that runs on hydrogen to the Australian market – they are coming up in May to see a demonstration of this new plant at Beerwah – not only does it generate electricity but it also produces hydrogen fuel which can be dispensed to the cars!

Kind regards
Wayne

From: "Butler, Terri (MP)" <Terri.Butler.MP@aph.gov.au>
Date: Mon, 16 Feb 2015 03:19:24 +0000
To: Wayne Drinkwater <wayned@periurbanpd.com.au>
Subject: RE: Thanks - response from Wayne Drinkwater

Hi Wayne

Thanks so much for this. I think I mentioned to you that I had been speaking with the solar council people who had also spoken to me about energy storage via improved battery technology. I'm not sure I'd heard of this alternative. It sounds game changing and I'm very interested.

The pictures on the website look amazing. It's great you've got a partnership with CQU and I can see why they'd be excited about the study opportunities. I'd be really keen to see the project first hand at some point.

Best wishes

Terri

From: Wayne Drinkwater [<mailto:wayned@periurbanpd.com.au>]
Sent: Monday, 16 February 2015 10:30 AM
To: Butler, Terri (MP)
Subject: Re: Thanks - response from Wayne Drinkwater

Morning Terri

Thanks for your message below – yes Janelle and I both enjoyed the discussions at lunch immensely –we've particularly enjoyed the subsequent result and the appointment of a refreshingly talented looking ministry!

Just to keep you up to speed with some of our project advances - we've been progressing our model for sustainable communities quite well with Brolga Lakes (www.brolgalakes.com.au) being the first to come out of council around May this year.

We also recently discovered a local (Beerwah) who has a very well advanced hydrogen cell power plant – converts solar and wind or gas energy inputs and stores in the form of hydrogen for release later – we're currently making approaches to ARENA on his behalf to look at setting up a 1MW plant at Brolga Lakes – this would make the sustainable model complete with the community having its own energy source. This is a real alternative to the not so environmentally friendly battery storage systems that many companies are advancing around the globe.

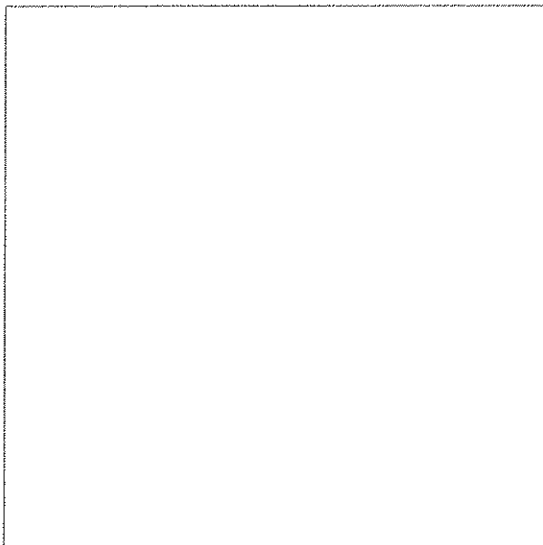
Will be making contact with Jackie Trad – sorry – Deputy Premier and Minister Trad, with a view to presenting an overview of the sustainable model in detail and the projects (locations) we have planned to advance next.

We would welcome the opportunity to take you around Brolga Lakes at some point to give you a first hand experience of why this type of development is so different to anything else in the market.

Take care and look forward to catching up with you again soon.

Kind regards

Wayne Drinkwater



From: "Butler, Terri (MP)" <Terri.Butler.MP@aph.gov.au>
Date: Fri, 13 Feb 2015 04:31:57 +0000
To: Wayne Drinkwater <wayned@periurbanpd.com.au>
Subject: Thanks

Hi Wayne

I hope you're well. I wanted to send my belated thanks for our chat at the lunch with Albo, that Godfrey Mantle hosted for Jackie Trad MP last month. I really enjoyed the event. I hope you and Janelle both enjoyed it as much as I did.

Best wishes

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