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Subject: 170323- STAKEHOLDERS - TAXI INDUSTRY

AT MY AGE- 80 NEXT YEAR- I DO NOT FEEL THAT THERE ARE MANY EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS AVAILABLE TO A PERSON OF MY AGE - AS I WAS RELYING ON THE SECURITY THAT A GOVERNMENT ISSUED LICENCE TO EARN A LIVING IN THE FUTURE AS OPPOSED TO PUTING MY HAND OUT FOR A GOVT. PENSION.

WE HAVE ONE MOTOR VEHICLE.OWNED THROUGH A BANK LOAN.

OUR INCOME BEFORE THE GOVT APPROVED UBER TO OPERATE WAS \$2650 A MONTH- NOW IT IS 70% LOWER AT \$800 PER MONTH , AND WE STILL NEED TO PAY OFF THE LOAN ON OUR MOTOR VEHICLE.

IN ADDITION WE ARE SUPPORTING OUR THREE CHILDREN WITH THEIR CHILDRENS EDUCATION EXPENSES WHICH OUR CURRENT INCOME CANNOT SUPPORT

WE WANT THE SOLID TAXI INDUSTRY BROUGHT BACK TO WHERE IT WAS BEFORE UBER AND OTHERS WERE ALLOWED TO FLOUNT QLD TAXI LAWS AND TAX TO BE PAID BY UBER AND THEIR DRIVERS

AT THE MOMENT THERE IS NO VALUE LEFT IN TAXI LICENCES AS NO ONE IS BUYING THEM EVEN THOUGH THE QLD GOVT SOLD OFF BY TENDER, LICENCES TO FILL THE TILLS OF QLD TREASURY - DO YOU CALL THAT FAIR?

SO BESIDES A 70% DROP IN INCOME, WE HAVE SUFFERED A LOSS OF ONE MILLION DOLLARS CAPITAL AS OUR 2 LICENCES ARE UNSALEABLE.

PLEASE CONSIDER THESE THINGS IN YOUR DETERMINATION ON THE FUTURE OF OUR TAXI INDUSTRY AND REJUVENATE AN EFFICIENT INDUSTRY WHICH WAS NOT BROKEN

PLEASE HELP US TO RECOVER BY ACTIONING THE POINTS PUT FORWARD BY THE TAXI COUNCIL OF QUEENSLAND

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