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To Dr Anthony Lynham

Dear Sir

Self Regulation does not work !

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Self regulation has never worked, just look at the current media, Banking, Health Insurance. They too said "Trust me" and it seems we can not. I found this data within a few minutes on government web sites, you have an army of able body helpers to search for you. The question is not 'if' regulation is necessary, it is do you have the political will to do what is needed even if you cop flack over it.

Australia has an appalling record on deforestation and native species loss. Just last week the White Rhino in Africa has gone extinct. If you wished to chase the root cause of such issues you would find it was due to human's financial greed. Which brings me to the subject of my concerns. Self regulation does not work.

Lets look at some stats, nothing will put people to sleep faster than talking stats but that's where the data for what is actually going on can be found.

Dryland Salinity

Aust Bureau of Statistics

Year 2000 5.7 million hectares affected.

By 2050 17 million hectares affected.

Major cause, deforestation Agricultural purposes.

Murray Darling

Buy some land upstream, strip the land, take as much water as you like. That's Self Regulated. Hard luck anyone down stream.

2009 the lower lakes of Alexandrina and Albert, had a water level of more than 1 meter below sea level. Drought (a common enough event in Aust) and an over use of the resource (erosion and salinity again degrading the land). The Murray River mouth now requires regular dredging to keep it open due to lack of flow and all along the river you have farmer crying foul and that they are the best when it comes to managing the river.

Labor did the right thing for the environment and the future sustainability of the agricultural community.

Nationals chased the vote. Where is the Newman Government now and how long will they

be out for how they behaved.

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