

24th July, 2008

Hon. Will Hodgman MP
Leader of the Opposition
Parliament House
Hobart
Tasmania. 7000

Dear Sir,

Forestry Industries Smoke Inhalation.

Thank you for your e-mail earlier today

I am not sure if you watch the Wiggles on TV?. If you do, you would know how they say, "Wake up Jeff!" to one of their members.

Well it seems appropriate to say similar to one of our Members. Wake up Will!

The reason I say this is because it took you over three months (3) to respond to me, then you go on to say, "...that urgent action is needed...".

You acknowledge I wrote to you on the 21st April and your response is dated 24th July. I also note it is not signed and I can not believe you would after all this time, forward such irrelevant correspondence to me.

My reasons for saying this are outlined below:-

i) I wrote to you about forestry smoke that had made me ill and put me into A & E at the LGH. I did not write to you about wood heaters and yet your letter refers to wood heaters in three of your five paragraphs.

You are aware I live at Grindelwald. Wood heaters are not a problem to us in this area. Why then have you chosen to bring up wood heaters and Launceston?

ii) Back in April when I wrote to you, wood heaters were not being used, therefore, wood heater smoke has no relevance to my smoke inhalation, ie, from forestry rubbish burns.

I would invite you to go to my website <http://www.cleanairtas.com>
Here you will find updated information on the effect forestry smoke has had on me personally. I have been in A & E four times now. My site has a link to another person who has been made ill because of this smoke, and there are others.

NOTE: The effects of this smoke do not just go away when forestry stop burning.

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Please, I am not talking about wood heater smoke I am talking about **forestry smoke**, and you will also read my concerns about the permit system mentioned by the Minister.

You must agree, you have provided me with good reasons to have given up on you. After reading the information on my web site, I hope you will not give up on the people of Tasmania when it comes to the serious health effects for all Tasmanians when forced to inhale forestry smoke. We now ask for your support.

Further, you will notice my attempts to contact Minister Michelle O'Byrne. Perhaps you might like to ask her in parliament why she has refused to meet with me for so long now on such a serious environmental issue, that has resulted in so much distress to so many people and very nearly cost me my life.

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours faithfully,

Clive M. Stott