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Dear Sir/Ms.

It has been brought to my attention by one of the environmental organizations that I subscribe to, Environment Victoria. that there is some suggestion that a recommendation might be made from your inquiry that tax deductible environmental organizations should be required to fund remediation works on top of their environmental advocacy.

Such an outrageous requirement could only have originated from a mining lobby (and its parliamentary Catspaws) that is feeling the environmental advocacy heat.

Let me be quite clear as an environment advocacy donor that I fund environment advocates and political activists precisely because that is what they do. I fund them because the environmental damage that is currently being done is totally beyond private countervailing remediation and needs to be addressed at an industry wide level.

Environmental remediation is overwhelmingly an industry problem, not a private one.

Tree re-vegetation to restore a reasonable percentage of the country back to forest would require major industrial infrastructure. Same goes for removing noxious/feral plants/animals or making good damaged river, waterway and drainage basins.

More, remediation has been something of furphy to provide cover for environmentally damaging production practices. The Keep Australia Beautiful campaign was a sop funded by the packaging giant Gadsdens, to cover its environmental malpractice; i.e., its withdrawal from drink container deposit returns and thrusting responsibility for them and the

problems they would predictably cause, back onto the public purse and private enthusiasts.

The mining industry has plenty of reasons to hate environmental activists because the latter are applying telling pressure on it, particularly the fossil fuel producers. The climate change issue is a classic example of market failure, corrupt industrial advocacy and willfully irresponsible corporate behavior. And your inquiry is seriously thinking about nobbling that?

Are you guys bucking for cushy retirement jobs with the mining industry or what?

Hands off my advocates....

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