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To: DGR Inbox

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## Dear Sir/Madam

I believe Green activists are disrupting Australia's progress by protesting any endeavour by mining companies wishing to do business in Australia. The Adani Mine is a typical example of activism gone mad. When one complaint is discharge another raises it's ugly head. We need jobs in this country and I believe the special tax treatment afforded these protest groups should be removed. A lot of these activists are unemployed and if they hold Deductible Gift Recipient status are enabled to raise funds for conducting illegal and sometimes dangerous protests.

Everyone has the right to protest but it should be done safely and within the parameters of the law. All environmental charities should be regularly reviewed to make sure they are abiding by the law. Any environmental protest group that breaks the law should have their DGR status revoked. I as a tax payer should not be expected to subsidise illegal protests by anti mining groups.

To be eligible for DGR status the primary purpose of an environmental charity should be "on ground" work that improves the local environment.

Our country is going backwards because of these ideology driven "Greenies" and I don't believe the taxpayer should be funding them. They can get a job and fund their protests with their own money.

Yours sincerely

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