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Greenpeace has been branded an 'evil organisation' which has 'lost concern for humans' by its own co-founder,, ecologist Dr Patrick Moore, who quit Greenpeace in 1986 He has launched a scathing criticism of the activist group, which he insisted has lost its humanitarian roots.

His attack on the organisation, he helped create, accompanied former UK Environment Secretary Owen Paterson campaign against the 'self-serving' and 'highly-paid' network of environmental pressure groups he calls the 'green blob'.

These organisations are self serving and are a real and present danger to Australia. They are eco terrorists. In modern Australia a very small percentage of people are actually involved in those industries that underpin Australia's current standard of living. They are outnumbered by people who dont know how Australia actually runs. In the USA 2% of the population are involved in food production that the other 98% eat. In Australia a similar situation exists in mining. Our wealth comes from mining.

An adolescent activist who thinks they have the right to disrupt the business of actual workers should be made to pay for the loss they create. The standing costs of a mining company company are mounting 24 hours a day 7 days a week: their business volume dictates unit cost. Any activist who delays productive work increases unit cost. This is a damaging as throwing a brick through the front window.

Australia became a wealthy “lucky” country on the back of cheap reliable electric power driving a strong mining sector. The current generation takes for granted the infrastructure built by their parents without understanding that the luck will run out if they don't maintain and replace base load power stations stations and allow mines to replace depleted resources.

To think that Government is allowing these environmental activists organisation to have tax deductible status is alarming. It implies Governmental approval of their (illegal) activity.

- 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 immediately have their DGR status revoked. Taxpayers should not 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.

Best regards

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