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To whom it may concern,

Groups like **Greenpeace** and **Lock the Gate** have become notorious for conducting **dangerous illegal protests**, putting themselves and others in danger. These actions are against the law, dangerous, and also waste the time and resources of the emergency workers who have to remove illegal protesters.

Greenpeace, Lock the Gate and groups like them currently receive **Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR)** status which means that donations made to them are tax-deductible.

This assists them to raise funds for illegal protests.

Everyone has the right to protest, but it needs to be done safely and within 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 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.

Kind Regards,

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