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Dear Committee,

Being a registered Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) allows an organization to access tax-deductible donations to fund important, practical work to protect and improve the natural environment. This work inevitably involves advocacy and at times opposition to ill-conceived developments. Please don t pull the rug from under groups who have the best interest of all Australians at heart. We don t need more witch hunts of Environment Groups. We have seen the decimation of Environmental lobbies , research and Development etc. This must stop now by allowing these groups to function as they have in the past , not hobbled in an uneven playing field where big business can do what they like.

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