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The Secretary  
Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Sir/Madam

**RE: INQUIRY INTO ADDITIONAL WATER SUPPLIES FOR  
SOUTH EAST QUEENSLAND – TRAVESTON CROSSING DAM INFORMATION**

The purpose of this letter is to provide information for the Senate Inquiry. We hope that such an inquiry will reveal how the decision to dam the Mary River was actually reached. We would like to know for our own peace of mind.

We are a family; Dad, Mum and two young daughters; living on a rural property near Kandanga in the Mary Valley. If the Traveston Crossing Dam proposal is allowed to proceed, our land will be inundated and our home, lifestyle and livelihood will be taken from us. Our community and all that it offers to people like us and many others will be gone.

We keep accurate rainfall figures and our rainfall has been well below average for the past seven years. These figures, together with the few statistics that we have been given by the State Government, are proof that if the dam was already in existence it would now be empty or close to it.

Deputy Premier, Anna Blyth, announced on TV News on 30 March 2007 that the Traveston Crossing Dam would now be almost full if it had already been built. How do you think this makes us feel?!?

Hopefully the Senate Inquiry will put a stop to misleading statements appearing in the media. It hurts us deeply to know that the general public are being fed the incorrect information. Government employees seem to be unaccountable for what they say.

Yours sincerely,

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