



Senior Manager Regulatory Operations
Sydney Catchment Authority
PO Box 323
Penrith NSW 2751



Dear Regulatory Operations Manager

Please find attached an "Application for access to Sydney Catchment Authority Special Areas/Controlled Areas/Water Storages" form duly completed.

As the photo taken at Darkes Forest above shows, a "Special Area" exists. However, whilst residents are specifically excluded unless the above application is approved, mining and petroleum company's have unlimited access to these types of areas. Why would that be so and what can't the public see?

I believe it is in the public interest that the public should be aware what is happening in "it's" backyard and whilst I can appreciate appropriate security measures, inspections of such lands must at times be transparent to the public.

Residents have expressed concerns that the operations are not conducted in accordance with the License and are being breached. The inspection would also be to ensure that Sydney Catchment Authority is issuing breach notices on Licensee's where appropriate.

Therefore, I look forward to your approval of my application to inspect these lands "in the community interest" promptly. This application and your reply will be posted on the website www.gregpetty.com.au in due course as part of my election platform for greater public transparency in government decision making. Written reports and photographic record (2 cameras of same shots) will be supplied to SCA.

A reply (by email) by 20 December 2010 would be sincerely appreciated as inspections are scheduled to commence on 21 December 2010.

Warmest regards
Greg Petty
Independent Candidate for Heathcote
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12th December 2010

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Application for access to Sydney Catchment Authority
Special Areas/Controlled Areas/Water Storages

I/We apply for a consent to access SCA scheduled land

Applicant Name GREGORY ALAN PETTY

Company Name INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE HEATHCOTE
(if applicable)

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Dates of access from 20/12/2010 to 28/02/2011

(or list dates) THREE VISITS ONLY TO SUIT AVAILABILITY OF GROUP (6-8)

Description of area to be accessed (attach map if necessary) AREA DESIGNATED UNDER APEX ENERGY NL PART 3A APPLICATION/PEL TO ESTABLISH 15 GAS WELLS & POWER STATION TO DARKES FOREST AND HELENSBURGH & SURROUNDS

Reason for access (or attach detailed proposal, including why this cannot be done outside the Special Areas) TO INFORM THE COMMUNITY OF PLANNED GAS EXPLORATION, TO DETERMINE IMPACT ON ENVIRONMENT, TO VIEW WORKS UNDERTAKEN & DAMAGE, TO RECORD & DOCUMENT PHOTOGRAPHICALLY THE AREA

Method of access (car, foot, truck, 4WD etc) AND WITH STOPS TO WALK AND INSPECT

Expected benefit (to SCA, community etc) BENEFIT TO SCA WILL BE THAT THE ORGANISATION WILL BE SEEN AS TRANSPARENT AND COMMUNITY FINALLY HAVE AN INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT

Signed [Signature] Date 13/12/2010

For more information please go to www.sca.nsw.gov.au and look in the Catchments section for: Guidelines for consent to enter Special and Controlled Areas.

The provision of false or misleading information is an offence under the Sydney Water Catchment Management (General) Regulation 2000.

Applications and supporting information should be posted to:

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