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Frances Pike
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Sent via: afca.forests@gmail.com

Dear Frances

I refer to your request for my position on burning native forests for electricity.

I absolutely oppose the use of native forestry biomass for energy.

This environmentally destructive practice has been introduced to provide additional support to the unsustainable state forestry industry. The forestry industry is already subsidised by government and is putting our state's biodiversity at serious risk through habitat destruction. There are multiple examples of the forestry industry logging more than permitted and burning timber for energy provides an incentive to log more to sell for power. Furthermore, greenhouse emissions from native forest biomass can be significantly greater than coal-fired power.

If re-elected, I will use all opportunities in Parliament to push for a removal of the disgraceful laws that allow this practice.

Yours sincerely



Alex Greenwich
Member for Sydney

