Following on from my correspondence with you as attached I undertook two courses of @ RMIT who do training courses for Sustainability Victoria

The 1<sup>st</sup> The Thermal Assessors (4 day) course to become SV accredited.

I had spent my final year (12 months worth) thesis doing it with the CSIRO Building Division working on the test facility for building insulations.

When I approached SV to do assessing I was told I wasn't qualified.

Course cost \$1200, Software \$550, SV Registration \$275 approx \$2000

I then did Home sustainability Assessors course 8 days not the Greens Loans training of 4 days this is on top of my engineering degree from Monash. \$1200 Course

All this at my expense.

I attend the going green expo to find out that the Federal Government is still paying (\$200 stand to be corrected )for Home Assessments hence they offer this service for free to clients.

Furthermore they can recommend and connect with suppliers which was an exclusion of Green loans to my understanding.

For my revenue base I have to market and sell assessments charge clients as I was told by Greens Loans that they were not taking on any more assessors after Xmas 2009.

All the while since Rio Tinto terminated my contract November 2008 re the GFC I have been unemployed for 18 months.

When I applied for unemployment benefits as advised by Jason I was told I was ineligible. Hence I have to do all this on my savings and nest egg which was planned for retirement.

I considered returning to mining something I'm not interested in doing as I want remain in Melbourne and then learn that it is planned to tax the industry more heavily.

I watched the recent article on 60 minutes where a canteen under the school program cost \$600,000 per school, as an engineer if I was that grossly out with my figures I would have been shown the door.

We call ourselves the smart country, talent is being sidelined everyday because of spin and those are that endeavouring to be productive are find it ever increasingly hard to be so.

I would appreciate some assistance in the area of home sustainability something I have lived all my life since growing up adjacent to my grandparent's farm at the base of the Dandenong Foothills.