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TO THE CHAIRMAN;

SELECT COMMITTEE into Certain  
 Aspects of Queensland's Government Administration  
 related to Commonwealth Government Affairs.

Dear Sir,  
 I wish to supply a supplementary submission  
 to 'Submission 4'.

Coordinator Generals approve projects  
 of State significance in Queensland. They seem  
 to have a high turnover rate. When the former  
 LNP Government gained office the new Coordinator  
 General was hastily installed. When he approves  
 a project his evaluation report outlines any  
 conditions to be imposed and designates  
 which department has jurisdiction over  
 those conditions.

The policing of these conditions and  
 those conditions of an Environmental Authority  
 seems to be inadequate and Penalties seem to  
 be rarely imposed if the conditions are broken.  
 Policing by complaint is stressful for the  
 stakeholder. The proponent generally has a way  
 of bullying their way through to provide an  
 outcome that suits them.

When Department of Environment did  
 noise testing @ my home the proponent  
 rejected the results which exceeded permitted  
 levels because the person doing the testing

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was not suitably qualified.  
- (What chance has a resident got? by complaining to the company?)

It seems that 'developers' are constantly communicating with governments or their departments, but not much checking is done by government departments and politicians with affected stakeholders.

Departments are not adequately stepped to police and scrutinize the behaviour of project proponents and the impact on stakeholders, let alone responsibilities of the Commonwealth. It seems that department staff of the former LNP government were instructed to facilitate project approvals,

consultant companies that do work for an EISA other studies for the proponent often have a close or long standing relationship with the proponent. Perhaps some investigation is warranted into the independence of their compiling and reporting of information for an EIS. -- Are these companies paid 'success fees' for establishing property sales or approvals? An offer to purchase my property by the proponent for Stage 3 arrived in an envelope with the EIS Consultants stamp on it. - what does this mean?

Does the proponent provide "success fees" as an incentive for the Home Land Tenures Officer negotiating property sales? It might explain some of their behaviour.

The Commonwealth Government has the reputation of a SENATE. The Queensland

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Government does NOT, To leave matters  
of the Commonwealth Government to be  
managed by the Coordinator General  
and developers is not in the best interests  
of Australia's environment.

Thankyou,

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