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The House of Representatives Standing
Committee on Regional Australia,

To the Chairman of the Committee,

Dear Sir,

I am a great fan of recycling water. We now have a pipeline from the Brisbane area to Loddumbra as part of the plan to drought proof Sth. Est. Qld,

all it would need is for the pipeline to be extended out to the Condamine River, or there may be a point nearer than the Condamine, and once the water got to there it would flow on down to the Murray, Darling & all its water thirsty lakes.

The Brisbane council even now has recycled water that is produced in amounts that are far beyond the needs of the city. I know that a lot of people are against recycled water, but if it was added early when there are still large volumes of water in the river it would barely be noticed because of the dilution factor.

If the public is so against recycled water that it could not be used, we have a desal. plant on the Gold Coast that could be used instead.

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It would just be a matter of laying a pipeline to link up with the Loowomba pipeline. I know this could be costly in terms of power, but it could be borne by the Federal Govt., as they are the ones that get the taxes from the production. From the lists you glean here + there, recycling is very thorough these days and to have all that water flowing to waste day after day, seems to me a crying shame. It hardly indicates a clever country. All the best with your deliberations,

Regards,
Doug Fraser.