

**LETTER TO: MIKE.KELLY, ANTHONY ALBANESE AND TONY WINDSOR.  
SUBJECT: TO DISALLOW RENEWABLE ENERGY (ELECTRICITY)  
AMENDMENT REGULATIONS 2011 (NO. 5) IS CONTROVERSIAL  
18.03.2012. HARRIETT SWIFT 18.03.2012**

Dear Mike,

Rob Oakeshott's motion to disallow Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment Regulations 2011 (No. 5) IS CONTROVERSIAL. Any attempt to deal with it as a non-controversial would be wrong. It would be unfair, dishonest and undemocratic.

To illustrate this:

1,187 people have signed the cyberletter:

<http://www.change.org/petitions/rob-oakeshott-mp-please-reject-burning-of-native-forest-wood-as-renewable-electricity>

1270 people have signed the petition: Say No to Woodchip Power:

<http://www.gopetition.com.au/petitions/say-no-to-woodchip-power.html>

The campaign group Getup! has also taken up this issue.

This issue has been highly controversial in the electorate of Eden-Monaro where the Nippon Paper owned Eden chipmill is poised to be the first wood fired power station.

Mr Oakeshott has claimed that his motion merely implements the recommendations of the Parliamentary Committee. It does not. They are different. It's recommendation are equally unacceptable, but they are different from Mr Oakeshott's motion.

As for 'waste', in NSW a living, breathing tree in the forest can be classified as "waste." The high value test is not a useful safeguard for the environment and should be rejected.

Please use your influence to make sure that this motion is defeated.

Yours sincerely

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