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The Hon Kristina Keneally MP
Premier
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Dear Premier

South East Forest Wood Fired Power Station

I write to ask that you stop the proposal for a power station fuelled by South East forest wood chipping. I have previously written to the Minister for Mineral and Forest Resources about protecting koala habitat in the South East forests from logging.

The NSW Government is considering approval for a woodchip-fired power plant at the Eden Woodchip Mill, contrary to promises not to use native forest wood for energy generation.

A woodchip-fired power station at Eden:

- Is not "clean green energy" and will undercut solar, tidal and wind power generators;
- Undermines the urgent need to stop logging, woodchipping and clearing of native forests;
- Will assure the regional extinction of koalas and other endangered forest species including owls, gliders, possums, bats and Superb Parrots;
- Creates a vast new market for woodchips on top of the massive export market of woodchips for paper production; and
- Will add up to 20 per cent to Australia's CO2 emissions.

I sponsored the *South East Forest Protection Bill* in 1993, which is the basis for preserving key wilderness and forest areas, and have consistently campaigned against land clearing, wood chipping, the Mogo Charcoal Plant and the destruction of forests and biodiversity. Climate change has brought these concerns into new focus, and the Government should take all logging and wood chipping out of forests, and create a genuinely sustainable logging industry based on plantations.

Could you please refuse the proposed Eden Woodchip Fired Power Plant and inform me what action you will take?

Yours sincerely

Clover Moore
Member for Sydney