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To Whom It May Concern

I am really concerned about the environment so donate money to groups that support this. I firmly believe that if we don't take care of what is left of our natural world, we will all perish as this supports our very life on this earth. I want my granddaughter and her children to be able to explore and enjoy the Great Barrier Reef, other marine areas such as Ningaloo, all of the National Parks that have been gazetted and all of those to come. I also support Australian Wildlife Conservancy in their bid to buy up land and return all of our previously endangered small mammals and birds to their natural habitat.

I give this money with the understanding that these groups are as passionate as I am and therefore should be able to advocate for any causes that they view to be valid. The fact that mining companies are able to come in and rape the land and then not have to return it to its natural state is appalling and not really widely known. Nor is it appreciated that there are so many mine sites (over 15 500) that have been abandoned.

This appears to me to be a back door way of the Government shutting up environment groups because their advocacy is uncomfortable and tells the Australian people what is actually going on when the Government would like this information hidden. It also supports mining companies over the citizens of Australia and their right to know what happens with mining companies who, incidentally, pay little to no tax in this country. This also is a threat to our democracy. Shame on you ATO. Perhaps time spent chasing all the companies including mining companies that avoid paying taxes in this country would be a better use of your time.

I am happy that environment groups spend the money that I donate as they see fit.

kind regards

Anne Clutterbuck  
