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**INQUIRY INTO THE CONTINUED PUBLIC OWNERSHIP
OF SNOWY HYDRO LIMITED**

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Select Committee on the Continued Public Ownership of Snowy Hydro Limited
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SELECT COMMITTEE

SNOWY HYDRO

Dear Sir,

The Snowy River Hydro Scheme is an intrinsic part of our Social History.

It was an inspired concept and an amazing engineering feat recognised around the world.

It was part of the post World War 2 “healing process” providing a project to lift the spirits of the Australian people.

It gave many displaced persons from European countries not only a job, but also a challenge and a worthwhile focus. They teamed up with “old” Australians and together they built the huge dams and tunnels. It was a credit to their endurance, perseverance and skills.

These people took pride in being part of a massive undertaking that was to be of great benefit to Australia. Their work played a major part in the harmonious assimilation of many migrants from around the world.


Their dreams and aspirations for the Snowy Project should be revered and respected by the present and future generations. It is part of our heritage.

The Snowy Hydro Scheme should never be privatised, as this would devalue the human effort devoted to the project. It would place a price on something of inestimable value – the human spirit.

There are some things that money can't buy and the Snowy Scheme should be one of them.

Please do everything you can to ensure that this is so.

Yours truly,



Patricia Stewart