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## **PROPOSED SALE OF SNOWY HYDRO LIMITED**

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Dear Dr Moyes,

The Federal government has decided to not sell its share of the Snowy Hydro Scheme. I urge you to press for the NSW government to do the same.

My concern is that a huge chunk of Australia itself is up for sale. The Snowy Mountain Scheme was a history making undertaking - pioneering new technologies and breaking all sorts of records in its day. The Scheme was also the introduction to work in Australia for literally thousands of post War immigrants who saw the Scheme as their way to contribute something of significance to the country that had opened its doors to them in a time of need. Now that icon of so much that is Australian is to be sold off like a packet of biscuits.

I also have concerns over control of the water; a very precious resource which could become more so if global warming is as dire as some predict.

I consider the contemplation of selling such a significant piece of Australia's history and culture to be obscene. What will be next - The Sydney Opera House?

As a government you have no mandate to sell such an important piece of NSW and Australia infrastructure.

I urge you to oppose the sale of the Snowy Scheme.

Yours

Alan Skelton