

**Submission
No 65**

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

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Theme:

Summary

Dear Sir,

The status quo should be maintained as the Snowy has been a reliable source of irrigation water for MIA, CIA, Murray Valley and river pumpers.

As an irrigator the Snowy Hydro should never go into public ownership, there should be legislation to stop this happening.

The water allocations should be maintained and have priority over environmental flows.

There should be investigation into construction of more dams and power stations in the snowy region to provide more jobs and wealth for country areas .

A committee should be set up to manage assets , water and infrastructure and the members should be representatives of irrigator groups, downstream towns, and financial advisers.

The taxpayers should fund any future capital expenditure requirements.

*Yours sincerely
David Star .*