INQUIRY INTO COMMERCIAL FISHING IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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I am a commercial fisher holding a NSW Fisheries Line West entitlement of 40 shares. This new process will force me to purchase another 20 shares which will cost between 30k and 40k, if they are available. Prior to the reform they would have cost me 20k. I do not have the ability to find 30-40k, nor do I want to put myself further in debt to stay at the same level I'm currently at. BUYERS HAVE ALREADY TOLD ME THEY AREN'T PREPARED TO PAY MORE MONEY for my product. I love this industry and am filthy that this government is doing this to us for no valid reason. We are sustainable and managed and getting lower in numbers every year. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH...get Niall Blair to take a 20% paycut and see how he likes it.