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**INQUIRY INTO COMMERCIAL FISHING IN NEW SOUTH  
WALES**

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How can you Nail Blair consider not putting a pause on this reform ! It has to be the worst thought out plan ever to be implemented ! The fact that you expect us to borrow money on just your word basically is a joke ! The shares ?Where Are they and what guarantee do we have that we can access them in the quantity we need and that's if we had money to buy back what w need .We are unfortunately not alone .Most of the fishers we know have been panic buying and this is why you seem to have the opinion that its to late to pause .I don't think you have a clear grasp on the whole reform and how you are going to make a few wealthy and hundreds on the dole cue if this proceeds .People that have been borrowing to access shares early prob have only bought a few to try to get a few extra so to be able to at least work .You have taken away 2/3 of most fishers business .How do you pay a mortgage and vehicle and live on 1/3 of our normal pay .oh you want fishers to borrow and go into more debt just to do what we have been until the reform .We pay taxes every year and I am a fifth gen fisherman born and breed in Forster .I am nearly 60 years old and had planned to work another 5/10 years health permitting .Fisherman are hard working and self motivated .We wouldn't survive if we weren't ! Latent shares are going to be used to the max now thanks to leasing ! This in its self is a night mare ! I had a prawn endorsement since I was a boy and traded it for a few mud crab shares .I didn't want to but you left me know choice ! My prawning was a stand by when other species where not thick and needed resting to breed back up and /or grow .So you see we are looking after the resource in a much better way that leasing them all out and flogging the species ! You wont be able to Police any of this and the black market will again become very big .If Your friend asked you to jump off a cliff Would You ?You may as well have thrown us all over 25 years ago ! In stead we have been hanging by a rope slowly and being strangled to death waiting to see ALL THE REAL REASONS .or all the real people .I bet the fees to this will be steep and knock even bankrupt some if they borrowed to buy extra shares .We all aren't liars and thieves .! We deserve your respect and if nothing else your timely pause .I am very tired and trying to do this to .. We still need to spend well over !00,000 to get back to where we where and finish paying your 80,000 when I am 72 .and would be in no way any better off that I can see based on your None existing plan of action .Every time some one asked for a clear working plan and shares available we don't get honest answers and if you are being honest and don't know yet God help us all .!