Submission No 283

INQUIRY INTO PROPOSAL TO RAISE THE WARRAGAMBA DAM WALL

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T0 Parliament of NSW,

Subject Warragamba Dam Wall

I think we need to carefully consider whether the raising of Warragamba Dam wall is safe considering the dreadful droughts that NSW and Qld presently are suffering.

I am worried that the balance of the benefits of the larger water supply which will be slower forming in droughts compared to the slow flows of water in the rivers below might be negative benefit for many people.

Obviously I hope this is not so and the saved water is able to benefit future drought conditions. Droughts could well become much more severe and eliminate the raised wall benefits unless we are really careful and clever in our planning.

Please look very carefully at the drought effects for our future or perhaps a recirculating storage to generate electricity with less carbon negative and deteriorating climate. Thank you for your consideration.