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**INQUIRY INTO COSTS FOR REMEDIATION OF SITES
CONTAINING COAL ASH REPOSITORIES**

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Hi I am Maxine Pearson from wilderness society. I am concerned about the fallout from lake Macquarie powerstations and coal ash in our water systems such as heavy metals. I visit the lake often and notice some very sick birds.. I would like to see government act on this by committing to decontaminating the Vales Point and Wearing power station sites. Also would like the new government to ensure there are adequate funds set,aside to decontaminate the sites comprehensively. The new govt needs to carry out feasibility study into the environmentally responsible use of coal ash with an aim of setting up a pilot plant so that lake macquarie's coal ash sites may be returned to wetlands habitat in the future.