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Human health before forestry business

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The Tasmanian Public and Environmental Health Network (TPEHN) congratulates TAP Into A Better Tasmania (formerly Tasmanians against the Pulpmill) and Bob McMahon for publicising the correspondence between Gunns and TAP, allowing the public airing of many of the problems involved with the `business of forestry' in Tasmania.

http://tasmaniantimes.com/index.php?/weblog/article/dear-mr-lestrange-/show_comments

This 'business of forestry' ultimately affects all the people of Tasmania and the Government's approval has been implicit during the recent private and secretive 'round table negotiations'.

http://www.et.org.au/news/2010/forests-breakthrough-environment-groups-and-forestrysector-sign-agreement

Additionally, the current sleight of hand approach allowed by Governments at all levels has effectively dumped major human and environmental health problems outside the negotiating room and left them in `no man's land'.

For TPEHN, this approach is not acceptable as these issues are long standing and urgently require addressing.

We demand that the new Tasmania Premier, Lara Giddings, and all Governments put public health as their No. 1 priority **BEFORE** forestry development.

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