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Topic 1. Sustainability of current and future forestry operations in NSW

I object to the removal of Native Forest in NSW for any purpose. There is more than enough evidence already presented to the NSW IPC and NSW Parliament indicating that it is not sustainable to continue current forestry operations into the future.

Topic 2. Environmental and cultural values of forests, including threatened species and Aboriginal cultural heritage values

In the past the IPC has refused to acknowledge Aboriginal Cultural Heritage as in the case of the McPhillamys Gold Project at Blayney. See the Bowdens Silver Project and Narrabri Gas Project decisions where the panel disregarded water and environmental impacts, pushing to unworkable Management Plans and conditions that cannot be met. The IPC must ensure it is not influenced by self interested lobby groups or the NSW Government when making decisions on environmental and cultural heritage values.

Topic 3. Demand for timber products, particularly as relates to NSW housing, construction, mining, transport and retail

Timber for timber products should be sourced from plantation timber and not Native Forests. Business and industry will take timber from the cheapest source...not the most environmentally sustainable source.

Topic 4. The future of softwood and hardwood plantations and the continuation of Private Native Forestry in helping meet timber supply needs

Plantation Timber or recycled timber should be used for all timber supply needs. The timber industry must ensure it plants enough timber for its future needs.

Topic 5. The role of State Forests in maximising the delivery of a range of environmental, economic and social outcomes and options for diverse management, including Aboriginal forest management models

In recent times State Forests are unable to deliver the best outcomes to satisfy any environmental or Aboriginal cultural or social goals. Lobby groups in NSW are able to manipulate government employees and elected officials in order to receive gains to the detriment of wider economic, environmental and social outcomes.

Topic 6. Opportunities to realise carbon and biodiversity benefits and support carbon and biodiversity markets, and mitigate and adapt to climate change risks, including the greenhouse gas emission impacts of different uses of forests and assessment of climate change risks to forests

Native forests should not be used to supply carbon credits or biodiversity benefits to industry. Those industries requiring carbon or biodiversity offsets must use plantation timber because

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otherwise there is a net loss of biodiversity when a Project or Industry removes Native Forest. All offsets and carbon credits for industry must come from Plantation Timber.