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Human Health First - No Pulp Mill!

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The Tasmanian Public and Environmental Health Network (TPEHN) will not support a pulp mill in Tasmania.

Spokesperson for TPEHN Dr Alison Bleaney said:

"Good Public Health Policy is fundamentally dependent on sound sustainable environmental practices in Tasmania."

No matter how 'clean' a pulp mill process may be stated to be, the activities associated with a pulp mill are not.

Sustainable forestry practices in Tasmania need to be achieved without secretive deals being done to promote industrial exotic monoculture plantations with no human health and environmental impact assessments.

However the current pulp mill proposal is re-worked, it will eventually destroy current Tasmanian ecosystems and adversely impact on public and environmental health.

Environmental pollutants from intensive industrial forestry are now recognised by international scientists and medical researchers to be adversely impacting on humans, wildlife, domestic animals, food crops and chains and our water catchments.

TPEHN will continue to put public health first in decisions on industrial developments and all environmental practices in Tasmania.

This is a defining moment for Tasmania.

The Tasmanian Public & Environmental Health Network's position is crystal clear.

Our children deserve a 'clean and green' Tasmania without any pulp mill." said Dr Bleaney.

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