



Queensland
Government

Hon Stephen Robertson MP
Member for Stretton

Minister for Natural Resources and
Minister for Mines

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on 23rd April 2001*

Mrs Heather Lucke
Secretary
East End Mine Action Group
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Dear Mrs Lucke

I refer to your letter of 29 December 2000 addressed to the former Minister for Mines and Energy setting out the views of the East End Mine Action Group regarding its dispute with Queensland Cement Limited over various matters relating to the East End Mine.

I support the concept of an equitable solution to the Queensland Cement Limited dispute. My Department will continue to ensure that landowners, affected injuriously by groundwater depletion due to the mining, continue to receive alternate water supplies as required by the Special Lease Conditions attached to the mining leases.

Following completion of the independent evaluation of the groundwater impacts at East End, being commissioned by the Environmental Protection Agency, Queensland Cement Limited will be expected to review its assistance to landowners to maintain compliance with the relevant Special Lease Conditions. Should a landowner dispute the extent of assistance, funds will be made available for mediation with the Company.

I trust this information clarifies the situation. Should you have any further inquiries, please contact Mr John Milne, Environmental Manager of my Department on telephone 4938 4337.

Yours sincerely

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