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TCA bemused by Biomass Action Group

“Finally, the truth behind the Biomass Action Groups’ opposition to the proposed biomass plant has been revealed”, said Tish Campbell, WA State Manager Timber Communities Australia (TCA).

“For any group to con the community by embarking on a scare campaign about so-called environmental concerns and extra truck movements associated with the plant, using *incorrect data* is irresponsible in itself, but to then in the next breath state that they *will support* the plant being built in the light industrial area of Manjimup, close to schools, the main street and residential areas appears to me to be selfish and arrogant”.

With high voltage power lines already nearby the Diamond site, many of the truck movements already being made on that route, a proportion of the fuel already being located at Diamond, and the rail line in close proximity it would appear that the ‘Biomass Action group’ is nothing more than a bunch of ‘not in my back yarders’ (NIMBY’s) and not environmentalists at all.

Manjimup has always welcomed new comers to the area, but it is disappointing when these people who haven’t experienced the economic pain and community impacts caused by the downturn in the timber industry show no respect for the community members that have, and seek to jeopardise the opportunity for the community to get back on its feet, due purely to their own self interest.

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