

Promoting and Protecting the Rights of Unit Owners in Queensland



TO: Queensland Floods Commission of Inquiry GPO Box 1738 Qld 4001

Body Corporate Committees at the mercy of Insurance Companies

By law, all complexes - be it a block of units or a group of townhouses must be insured by their body corporate, ideally you should get three quotes – IMPOSSIBLE. We live in a complex of fifty villas and after exhaustive enquiries we could ONLY get one quote which included a demand of \$5000.00 EXCESS for storm damage for each owner's roof.

SUNCORP in April 2010, sent a letter to ALL Strata Managers "they were no longer interested in servicing the area" ie. Strata Insurance.

As the Brisbane City Council and State Government are pushing ahead with HIGH DENSITY LIVING in so many areas – something must be DONE to make body corporate insurance accessible for the AVERAGE unit owner.

Flood Insurance

Brisbane residents have been lulled into a false sense of security since the building of Wivenhoe Dam. Built for flood mitigation – its value has been completely eroded as politicians – public servants ignore the warnings " by experts " of an extreme wet season this summer.

Close to our complex there are four other complexes (three nowhere near the river), four of the five were flooded – NONE HAD FLOOD INSURANCE

Insurance companies DO NOT spell out the differences in these policies – water damage – storm water – flood.

Regards

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