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To Whom It May Concern,

Although you may be pressing ahead with good intentions of seeking to give a modern perspective to water use there are many simple or "old" ways of regarding water that were not addressed in the first Water Act.

To protect water, without protecting the source of its health, is like regulating human blood without seeing the operation of the human body.

The "new" act should, I think, include some basic tenets:

Protect watersheds-while forest-whole landscapes

Protect Riparian Zones-if thats all you can protect

Strict regulations for industry in regards to their use of water and pollution thereof.

Protection of intact forests, of any age, which are responsible for purifying the water.

To allow the use of primitive water systems with no chlorination at the request of the water license holder.

Limit the number of licenses a person or corporation an hold who do not directly live within the watershed/waterflow of that license.

Limit the corporatization of the selling of water (bottled water)

Truly punish a person or corporation who destroys or mis-uses a water resource....seriously!

Allow communities to decide what kind of water treatment they want as long as they agree to not hold the province responsible if there is a health problem or in the alternative help communities establish non-chlorine based filtering systems.

Eliminate the use of fluoride in water.

All sacred water sites should be protected.

All undeveloped hotsprings should be made sacred areas.

High pollutants of the air which causes water degradation from acid rain should be punished.

All children should taught respect for the water in school and participate in its enhancement and enrichment.

IN THE END WE NEED TO VALUE WATER AS MUCH AS WE VALUE OUR LIVES.

Please dont follow the road all governments have followed in the past.

Wars are being fought all over the world over water.

Lets protect it now while we have the chance.

Thank you for reading this letter.

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