

States of Jersey  
Scrutiny Committee  
Water Resources Law

16<sup>th</sup> July 2004.

Dear Sirs

I would like to make a couple of submissions to your Scrutiny Committee

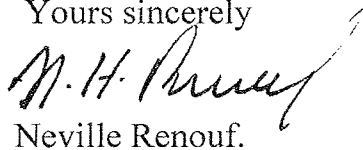
1. As a land owner of approximately 80 Vergees, I am deeply concerned with the new proposed water regulations due to be discussed shortly, as you are no doubt aware of the Property Laws in Jersey, owners of land are entitled to above and below any such land and any changes in the law would require compensation.
2. As the Water Works Company are a monopoly in this Island I have been Advised that any regulations in favour of such a company would be against European Law.
3. There are many natural streams spilling out onto our beaches which the Waterworks Company have not tapped, therefore I cannot see any reason for monitoring or otherwise of our bore wells when there are still large quantities available from this source .
4. I am sure that by owning some 80 vergees of land my catchment area greatly exceeds the amount of water used by my bore well.

I am also concerned with the composition of the new Country Environmental Committee, I do not see many names of genuine ex farming landlords appear, I am of the belief that the newly formed Land Owners Association should be the prime consultants when land is not occupied by genuine agriculturalists .

Many retired farmers bought land as their pension supplement and having been let down by promises made to agriculture by our States when Jersey decided not to become full members of the EEC., do not have the privilege of States employees in having their employers topping up their pensions.

Unless the Government are prepared to put their money where their mouth is which has sadly not been the case in the past, I suggest that any decisions with regard to private land should be carefully dealt with, we certainly do not wish to have a continuing army of Civil Servants interfering as to what should be done with our land.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. H. Renouf', written in a cursive style.

Neville Renouf.