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DEPR SID,

WE ARE IRRIGATORS ON THE BEECH RIVER  
 BELOW THE BROGO DAM AND HAVE JUST LEARNED  
 THAT YOUR DEPARTMENT INTENDS TO INCREASE THE  
 PRICE OF WATER FROM \$11.95 PER MEG. TO \$22.45 IN  
 2008/09 DO YOU PEOPLE LIVE IN THE REAL WORLD,  
 DAIRY FARMERS JUST CANNOT STAND THIS SORT OF  
 PRICE RISE, THERE IS APPROX 110 DAIRY FARMERS IN  
 THE BEECH VALLEY AND LOCAL ACCOUNTANTS SAY THAT  
 30 WILL GO OUT IN THE NEXT 3 YRS. THE REASON BEING  
 THEY ARE GOING BROKE. WHERE DO FARMERS GO  
 TO RECOVER THESE SORT OF PRICE RISES YOU WILL  
 HAVE NO ONE LEFT PRODUCING MILK.

AFTER DEREGULATION OF DAIRY INDUSTRY AND  
 SIX YEARS OF DROUGHT AND NO SIGN OF ANY PRICE  
 RISE DOES YOUR DEPARTMENT HONESTLY THINK THAT  
 WE COULD MANAGE TO PAY A RISE OF THIS MAGNITUDE  
 WE WOULD SUGGEST A RISE IF ANY TIED  
 TO THE C.P.I. NO MORE.

YOURS SINCERELY

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