

## THE TASMANIAN PULP MILL—BELL BAY INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, TAMAR VALLEY

***“Vote Labor or Liberal and you vote for the pulp mill!”***

Australian Greens' election advertising<sup>1</sup>

Well, Australians did in their millions!

In fact over 10 and a half million Australians did or about 85% per cent of electors gave their first preference vote to the Labor or Coalition parties in the recent federal election<sup>2</sup>.

### National voting results

The House of Representatives

Labor and Coalition	10,576,807	<b>85.16%</b>
Green	967,781	7.79%

The Senate

Labor and the Coalition	10,116,042	<b>80 %</b>
Greens	1,144,751	9 %

Two of the Anti mill targets, former Environment Minister Malcolm Turnbull and Labor's spokesman Peter Garret both increased their votes.

Even in Tasmania that has been the stronghold of the green political movement for the last 20 years, 81% of voters took Brown's advice and voted for the Pulp Mill.

THIS IS DEMOCRACY AT ITS BEST

### Tasmania voting results

The House of Representatives

Labor and Coalition	263,357	<b>81.00%</b>
Green	43,893	13.5%

The Senate

Labor and the Coalition	253,258	<b>78 %</b>
Greens	59,254	17.74 %

Prominent anti mill candidates:

- Bass (the electorate where the pulp mill is located): Sven Wiener, 1,123votes or 1.76%;
- Lyons (the electorate with the West Tamar anti pulp mill opposition) Ben Quinn (resigned from the Liberal Party over its support for the mill) 6,092 votes or 9.60%;
- Wentworth , (Blue Ribbon Sydney Harbour/ Bondi Beach seat of the Environment Minister who approved the mill) Dani Ecuyer 774 votes or 0.88%

DEMOCRACY IS LIVE AND WELL IN TASMANIA

(only the greens refuse to accept the umpire's decision)

<sup>1</sup> Dr Bob Brown, November 2007, Television advertisement viewed at You tube <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pF4hFwOfSRE> 17 March 2008

<sup>2</sup> Australian Electoral Commission, 2007 Virtual Tally Room <http://vtr.aec.gov.au/Default.htm> accessed 17 March 2008