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[Service NSW 2021 COVID-19 Micro Business Grant] 'Retrospective Clawback and Extortion Scam'

[2022 - present]

Witness Personal Account and Victim Impact Statement [Complainant #05]

The following written evidence received from Steven Ridd by email to steve@naturetrail.com.au.

[Emails (most recent at top)]

START OF EVIDENCE

From:

Sent: Tuesday, 23 January 2024 5:05 PM

To: steve@naturetrail.com.au;

Subject: Re: NSW grant clawback Robodebt equivalent 0 priority write to your local member of NSW Parliament

Steve G'day and Happy New Year to you pal,

Mate firstly once again I'd like to thank you again for sharing your experience regarding the NSW Government Grant saga with us last year and guiding us and happy to report we took your advice and we did send a letter to our local member who intern will now contact Hon. Jihad Dib MP and bring this matter to his attention.

For now we await his reply.

Mate, can I ask you, do you recommend we again make contact with Revenue NSW to inform them of our contact with our local member and bring them up to speed with the current status of the matter?

Cheers again and all the best

Warmest,



Initial contact made to Nature Trail by email 27th November 2023 via Complainant #04 (as associated of Complainant #05):

"...We as a business have experienced and are currently experiencing exactly the same situation with Service NSW as you have endured with harassment and bullying into paying back there errors of payments.

I wanted to reach out to you and ask if you had any success in resolving this issue. We are thinking of engaging a legal team to resolve this and wanted to ask if you did the same?

Any information or advice would be appreciated from you on this matter, of which we feel exactly the same as you have described in your article.

Please let us know and really appreciate your time in any response."

End of supplied evidence

This document submitted by Steven Ridd, Managing Director, Wistmans Wood Holdings Pty Limited [ACN 600 331 931] as trustee for Wistmans Wood Trust [ABN 51 965 308 493] trading as Nature Trail. Registered Address: 5 Kundibar Street KATOOMBA NSW 2780.]

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