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This position makes it impossible to get anywhere.

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Yours truly,

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To Mr, Coe
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Dear Sir :-

In connection with our telephone conversation last night, we submitted to you an agreement that we were willing to enter into with the water users. We have no knowledge that this agreement has been submitted submitted to the Water Users or approved by them. that is the first consideration. We are prepared to go on and carry out our part of the agreement when we have the assurance that the water users will carry out their part of it.

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Kindly have this agreement submitted to the water users and let us have their decision in connection with same.

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