

HAZELWOOD MINE FIRE INQUIRY

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Mrs Margaret Frances Collins

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To whom it may concern.

Since returning from the Gold Coast Feb 20th, I have been so ill.

My first visit to the doctor was Feb 22nd with an ulcerated throat and pains in the chest from lack of oxygen.

Because I am on blood thinning and heart medication, there was not a lot of medication available for me.

I have 4 lots of oxygen been to Latrobe Hospital 4 times due to lack of breath and am now on a nebuliser and Asthma pumps to help with my breathing.

I am usually a very fit person, working in the community, for my Church and running my own business.

The only time I can leave my home now is for medical reasons.

I have written 4 letters to Russell North explaining I am not the only one in Churchill with health problems. I have contacted the E.P. A only to be told the air in Churchill is very clear.

We have an in ground pool which we are currently spending A lot of money trying to get the (what appears to be an oil slick on the surface of the pool making it unusable) WE stated to the E.P.A. people our table out doors had a coating of white

Grey dust on it and were told it was dust from our garden.

Iam still ill and Ron is cleaning and working on the pool every day which is usually not required this time of the year.

**MY MAIN CONCERN IS I WANT MY
LIFE BACK, AND TO KNOW EXACTLY
WHERE AND WHEN DO WE GET
ANSWERS ??????????????????**

Yours truly,

Margaret F Collins

Ronald G Hill.