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My name is [REDACTED], and I have been a Service Station proprietor in my own business for 37 years. I ask. What is going to be achieved by the proposed fuel price reporting? I say nothing. Just a waste of taxpayers money, and I won't be surprised if the Government tries to charge us a fee for being in this ridiculous program. Since I have been at my Service Station, there has been at least 19 Service Stations closed in a radius of 5km from The Hobart G.P.O. Obviously owning a Service Station or running one, is not equivalent to an Abalone licence. In my fridge there is a bottle of water 600 mills that retails for \$3.40. Yes 600 mills. A litre of unleaded petrol sells for \$1.24. Is petrol in light of what I have explained, and in that context "dear" Of course not. A bottle of water won't take you and your family down the road in your car any distance at all, and yet it costs per litre 4 times as much. Yet nobody in Government complains! Why not? O.K, if I am forced to comply with this "political" scheme. The first thing I will do, is to remove the large sign on my boundary that displays the petrol price with letters large enough to be understood at least 300 metres from my site. This proposed price reporting makes a mockery of that sign. It says that a bold display of petrol price, monitored and maintained by me is not good enough. I ask, what other retail business displays any of its retail price so plainly? Why are Petrol Stations so Pilloried? Do you think it is O.K for a chain store to buy a shirt from China, for two dollars and retail it for ninety nine dollars? Why I ask are we so flagellated? I think it is disgusting.

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