

BALLINA LOCAL COURT

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AUTHORITY

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SIMON FEODOROFF

WRITTEN STATEMENT OF SIMON FEODOROFF

On 26 June 2008, I, Simon Feodoroff, pump technician, of [residential address in original document deleted], being under affirmation, say:

Personal details

1. I am 31 years of age and employed as pump technician for [deleted].
2. I am married to [deleted] and have two children aged 11 and 9 years old.

Offence

3. In early 2006 I committed the offences set out in the Statement of Agreed Facts by unlawfully disposing of grease waste and wash-down water at 925 Ellangowan Road, Coraki.
4. At the time the offences were committed I was employed as manager, truck driver and mechanic for Northern Septic Grease and Oil Removal (Northern Septic).
5. I accept that my conduct in unlawfully disposing of the grease waste and wash-down water was wrong and stupid. I deeply regret it.

Clean up

6. My wife was office manager for Northern Septic and organised the clean-up of the ditch at 925 Ellangowan Road, Coraki. Approximately 50 cubic meters of soil contaminated with the wash-down water and grease waste was removed from the property and transported for disposal at Yatala, Queensland.
7. Following the clean-up, the site was tested for contamination by Southern Cross University in Lismore and found to be de-contaminated.
8. The grease waste in the holding tank on the property was later transferred to approved facilities and lawfully disposed of by Northern Septic. As far as I am aware the storage tank is no longer used by Northern Septic.

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Apology

9. I have apologised to my employer, David Mitchell, for the offences, which occurred outside the normal working procedures for the company.

10. I apologise to the court and to the community for my actions, which were stupid.

No commercial profit

11. I received no commercial profit from the offences. At the time the offences were committed I was employed by Northern Septic for a wage of approximately \$18 per hour before tax and \$495.00 weekly after tax and did not share in the profits of the business.

Income & assets

12. I resigned my position with Northern Septic in early 2007 and moved north to Mackay where I am currently employed as a pump technician for \$23 per hour before tax for a 38 hour week, or \$874 per week before tax.

13. My current weekly wages after tax are \$691.

14. I have no assets other than a family car, a motorbike, and household goods. I am selling a second motorbike to pay my legal costs. My wife and I rent our family home.

15. My wife has just started a new position as a car salesperson and earns \$500 per week plus commissions.

16. Our family’s combined weekly income is approximately \$1,200 after tax and our expenses are only slightly less than this. Our rent is \$350 per week, our weekly food bill is approximately \$200, our weekly school fees are approximately \$77, and our weekly childcare payments are approximately \$100. Combined with other expenses like petrol we have only \$100-200 per week to spare in our family budget.

Criminal history

17. I have not been convicted of any offences of a similar nature previously. In 1998 I was fined \$150 in the Lismore Local Court for using offensive language.

Declaration

18. I make this written statement aware that a person who makes a written statement tendered in evidence in criminal proceedings is guilty of an offence if the statement contains any matter that the person knows to be false or did not believe to be true in any material respect pursuant to section 189 of the *Criminal Procedure Act 1986*.

Affirmed by Simon Feodoroff)
at Ballina this)
26th day of June 2008)
Before me:)

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Deponent

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Solicitor / Justice of the Peace