LETTER: DON'T BUY REFLEX PAPER, THE EDITOR BDN, LOIS KATZ 28.02.2012

Dear Editor

Reflex Copy Paper is available in various retail outlets in the Bega Valley Shire that sell copy paper. This includes Coles, Woolies, Australian Post, Office Works and news agents. I don't think that these retailers are aware that this paper is sourced from our native forests. Reflex Paper is produced by the Nippon Paper Company which trades as Australian Paper.

The Nippon Paper Company, which owns the Eden Chip Mill, is the last of the giant Japanese paper companies to continue to use Australian native forests for paper making. Other Japanese companies have made the change to sustainable plantation wood.

In August, 2011, the New South Wales government Legislative Council stopped buying Reflex 'Ultra White' paper and changed to Fuji Xerox Recycled Pure+ (100% recycled paper). This decision was based on price, sustainability and quality. This action has saved the NSW State Government money and has helped to protect our remaining native forests.

Tanja State Forest and Yurammie State Forest are scheduled to be logged within the next few months. 90% of the trees taken from these state forests will become woodchips. If you buy Reflex paper you could soon be using paper made our locally treasured and publically owned forests.

Please don't support companies that destroy our native forests. Follow the example set by the NSW Parliament and don't buy Reflex Paper.

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