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To: Grocery Prices Inquiry
Subject: re: iga sommerset and gemvale rds qld

Hi I am a resident of Mudgeeraba and feel we are getting a raw deal from our local so called IGA store. The store is called the mill IGA and is on the corner of sommerset dr and gemvale rds less then 100m from my house.

We protested them putting the store there as they bulldozed 1000syear old rainforest to build the ugly building with no response from the gc council. however they built the shop and killed the rainforest and to rub a bit of salt into the wounds since it opened a couple of years ago their prices are much hirer than any other store in the area. they also have a petrol station here that doesnt seem to ever change their price and even on the so called cheap tuesday their price has been over 10c per ltr more than everyone else and although they have six checkouts the most people I've ever seen serving is 2 people but normally only 1.

I dont normally complain but I think we are been treated like idiots from this store and the only reason I am sending this is when I took the treasurers advice and challenged the store manager over their prices he told me if I dont like it go somewhere else, not the community spirit I was hoping for. I have been a resident in this local area for over five years,a resident of the Goldcoast for 10 and feel that if they have to kill our forest for a shopping centre then they should at least match their own stores prices and the local fuel prices.

The funny part of it is if they did this a lot of us residents would start spending our hard earned cash at the store instead taking it further away as I'm doing at this time.

thankyou for your time I don't like complaining but I dont think we have a choice.

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