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Dear Mr Penberthy

I am writing in relation to the online article published 1 April 2011 on the Punch website "*The Greens: when all else fails cry conspiracy*" and the following comment which is completely false

"To the enduring disgust of the Labor Party, the Greens chose to direct preferences to the One Nation founder ahead of the ALP, and she may now creep into the Upper House courtesy of their support."

The Greens in NSW did not direct preferences to One Nation in the Upper House and that can be easily proven by reviewing How-to-Vote cards that are publicly available on our website at <http://nsw.greens.org.au/NSW2011/HTV>. The Greens did not recommend any preferences in the Upper House at the election on 26 March 2011.

It is also a fact that NSW Labor did not recommend preferences to the Greens in the Upper House at last Saturday's election in at least 30 seats despite their public comments to the contrary.

Your article in The Punch is false and misleading. I request that you publish a correction to your article that reflects the fact the Greens did not direct preferences to Pauline Hanson.

I look forward to your early response to my request. I can be contacted on (02) 9045 6999 or 0413 581 603 if you require further information.

Yours sincerely



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