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Dear Alan,

Thank you very much for sending me a draft copy of your publication detailing your battle for justice with Telstra.

I continue to maintain a strong interest in your case along with those of your fellow 'Casualties of Telstra'. The appalling manner in which you have been treated by Telstra is in itself reason to pursue the issues, but also confirms my strongly held belief in the need for Telstra to remain firmly in public ownership and subject to public and parliamentary scrutiny and accountability.

Your manuscript demonstrates quite clearly how Telstra has been prepared to infringe upon the civil liberties of Australian citizens in a manner that is most disturbing and unacceptable.

It is for this reason, as well as the fact that Telstra has spent \$30 million to fight the Casualties of Telstra, that I believe it is incumbent upon elected representatives to continue to demand answers and expect greater justice to be done.

I congratulate you on your efforts to bring these matters to light, and hope your publication brings greater awareness of what has happened.

Yours sincerely,

SENATOR KIM CARR

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