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### **Independent Graeme Weber runs against Kelly O'Dwyer for Higgins**

Former geologist and nuclear power advocate, Graeme Weber is contesting the federal seat of Higgins in Victoria at this year's Federal Election. Mr Weber, who has personally funded his entire campaign to date, believes that "both political parties are letting us down" and that "Australians are currently lacking real political alternatives." The former geologist identifies himself as a, "conservative with Liberal values" but notes he is standing because, "it is time for someone in Canberra to take a real stand and support clean, efficient nuclear power in this country."

Mr Weber is contesting the safe Liberal seat of Higgins (previously held by former Treasurer Peter Costello) where current Liberal MP Kelly O'Dwyer has held power since December 2009.

As the election date nears Mr Weber asserts that, "Australians are fed up, with the gross distortions of the truth about nuclear power."

"I believe most Australians feel rightly outraged that both major political parties have lacked the courage to address the issue of clean power generation in this country," Mr Weber said in Melbourne recently at a community forum where Kelly O'Dwyer and Labor heavyweight Anna Bourke were speaking.

Over ten years, Mr Weber has become increasingly aware of the urgent need for action on the subject of global warming. Mr Weber contends that nuclear power whilst far less carbon intensive than coal, will prevent the destruction of Australian Industry by expensive and unreliable, renewable energy.

An avid surf-lifesaver, husband and father of two and grandfather of three, Mr Weber states, "I am standing for my grandchildren and their future".

"I want a better future for my grandchildren and Australians in general, a future where they have a livable environment and a good standard of living."

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