

## Comments from some of our users

### Greenpeace

"This is just to thank you once again for getting Greenpeace onto GreenNet. We've found it extremely useful in our work, and it is quickly becoming essential.

The system got a big boost a couple of weeks ago when our European Trustees were meeting in Hamburg. They needed a twelve page report in order to proceed on an agenda item, but no one had a hard copy with them and the only disk copy was in England. One person at the meeting knew about GreenNet, and within half an hour they had the entire report in hand for less than the cost of postage.

This is all without even mentioning the ease of use and "friendliness" of the system, which are exceptional, or the vast amount of bulletin-board information available or the other databases which GreenNet opens up.

Aside from these "business qualifications, however, one of the best things is the concept of "GreenNet" and the kind of networking possibilities which this will open up. I very much look forward to further improvements on Green groups' ability to communicate across organisational and national boundaries.

Planetary protection needs planetary communication. I'm glad GreenNet is helping to work towards that goal.

Keep up the good work"

*Brian Fitzgerald, Greenpeace International*

### Friends of the Earth

"GreenNet, by facilitating the rapid exchange of information during the Malaysian emergency, played a key role in securing the release of leading FoE activists arrested under the internal security act. The immediate response to environmental crisis, made possible by the GreenNet system, gives campaigning groups the 'edge' in emergencies which can mean the difference between success and failure"

*Kay Thompson -Friends of the Earth, Tropical Rainforest campaign*

### Survival

Survival International use GreenNet for inexpensive international communications between their activists in London, Oxford, Paris and Washington. Their work involves support for indigenous people. They are particularly interested in extending their network to less developed countries.

"It has been particularly important because of the need to respond speedily to the urgent threats confronting the tribal groups on whose behalf we campaign."

*Lucy Cawthron - Survival International*

### Pen Pal Electronic Network:

"This system opens the way for international interest groups with small budgets to work together effec-

tively. Perhaps even more important, the unique community of people using GreenNet, from all over the world, allows new international interest groups to discover each other for the first time, and discover the issues that bring them together. We have used GreenNet for several projects over the past year involving the rapid connection of youth groups from around the world. These groups were brought together around issues: Chernobyl, tests of local water quality, and Hiroshima Day. GreenNet was used to co-ordinate complex international teleconferences involving dozens of sites and radio stations across 14 hours of timezones. In short we have found GreenNet to be a productive and efficient way to manage complex social change efforts internationally, keep informed on breaking news and events and meet new people with shared interests from around the globe."

*Richard Civile*

### New Internationalist

I had in fact been using ECONET through GreenNet to collect some of the information used in various parts of the magazine. Indeed using GreenNet was invaluable all round to get a sense of what was going on in this field. I hope we can encourage other people to use it."

*Peter Stalker.*

### Peter Gabriel

"Information is power. Much of the information grew in the womb of the military and the multinationals. It is time to take it into the hands and homes of the people and to make it very accessible to those working to improve the world. GreenNet deserves to succeed."

*Peter Gabriel*

### and a non-user!

"The demonstrators might have been part of PeaceNet, a computer-linked network that can mobilise protesters nation-wide. PeaceNet was responsible for demonstrations launched on college campuses when US troops were sent to Honduras. This gives you some idea of the forces working against us"

*Ret. Maj. Gen John Singlaub (of Conragate fame) quoted in Phoenix Gazette*