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The Research Director Environment, Agriculture, Resources and Energy Committee Parliament House George Street Brisbane QLD 4000

Dear Sir/Madam

Proposed Strategic Cropping Land Policy

I would like the following points considered for inclusion in the proposed Strategic Cropping Land Policy.

- The Springsure Creek Coal Project (EPC 891) should not be excluded from the Strategic Cropping Land legislation and Clauses 282 and 283 should be deleted from the Bill.
- This proposed policy should support the property rights of landholders.
 What is the purpose of continuing to pay free holding instalments when the landholder no longer has any rights on what activity occurs on their land?
- Underground and/or any other mining should not occur under properties that the
 mining company do not currently own. Should a resource company wish to proceed
 with any project on or in the vicinity of Strategic Cropping Land, the existing
 Landholder should be given the right to sell the land with the option of 'first right of
 refusal' to re-lease the land back from the mining company for the purpose of
 agriculture.
- Coal exploration in our area has already drastically affected land values. This
 statement can be supported by local rural real estate agents. The mining company
 should be forced to purchase any property in the event of the landowner not being
 prepared to remain in the district due to the proposed activity.
- No 'public consultations' have occurred from Bandanna Energy regarding the
 proposed mine on EPC 891 so this submission is difficult. We, the neighbouring
 landowners, have no idea of what potential negative impacts we will be dealt.
 Therefore, public consultations should be compulsory for all surrounding
 communities.

Thank you for providing an opportunity for landowners to have their say.

Regards,

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