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To: EGC

Subject: submission re mineral & energy resources

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This the input I would like to have re mineral & energy resources (Financial provisioning) Bill 2018. My husband & I are beef cattle breeders in the BRC region. We rely on both sub artesian bore & some dams. Any unfilled pits pose a huge biosecurity risk to our enterprise

Please amend your bill to prohibit final voids being left by miners. (remove provisions allowing 'non-use management areas' as provided for in cl 104, new ss 126D(2) and 126C, and cl 99, amended s112, all amending the Environmental Protection Act 1994 (Qld);

not allow the cost of the rehabilitation and limit of impacts to the tenure site to be excuses to not rehabilitate;

ensure public scrutiny is available of the risk assessment undertaken for companies, and the FA contribution and form required - to ensure the process is transparent and accountable to the public, which will in turn increase the quality and community trust in the process (*clause 201, amend s540*); and

for transparency, provide for extended standing for the public to seek reasons or judicial review of any decision around financial assurance or review of the transfer of environmental authorities – given that the potential risk faced by the State from poor management of FA and transfer of authorities is a public interest matter (*new section required*).

Thank you for your attention, Regards Jess