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Dear Mr Gibson

Land and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2014 – Production commencement date and later work programs and development plans validation

The Australian Petroleum Production & Exploration Association (APPEA) is pleased to provide a submission on the Land and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2014 (Bill) to the State Development, Infrastructure and Industry Committee (the Committee).

APPEA and its members are pleased with the proposed changes to the *Petroleum and Gas* (*Production and Safety*) *Act 2004*. The amendments to production commencement date in particular will have significant benefits for projects that have multiple leases for single projects. Changes presented under the validating later work programs and development plans will offer industry certainty of their approved tenure development activity.

APPEA therefore supports these amendments as facilitating great flexibility for industry in managing tenures across their portfolios. If you would like to discuss any of the matters raised in this letter please contact Mr Nathan Lemire at nlemire@appea.com.au or (07)3231-0509.

Yours sincerely

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