

Submission dated 17 December 2018

## Mineral Resources (Galilee Basin) Amendment Bill 2018

Dear Chair and Committee members,

I am writing this submission in support of the Mineral Resources(Galilee Basin) Amendment Bill 2018.

I want Australia to be part of a global movement to try and limit global warming to no more than 1.5 degrees C if possible. As a parent and grandparent I am very concerned about a world we are leaving future generations if we do not reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

If we continue to approve new fossil fuel initiatives such as the Carmichael mine and the China Stone mine in the Galilee basin we are not fulfilling our international obligation to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Science clearly shows that if the world continues on its existing path we will lose The Great Barrier Reef and in future human life will be in the balance. The Australian Climate Council stated in its 2015 report titled Unburnable Carbon: “we need to leave fossil fuels in the ground”.

As Sir David Attenborough recently stated at the COP24 conference in Poland we will also see mass extinctions in the natural world.

I support the Bill's intent to terminate existing coal mining leases in the Galilee Basin and prohibit the approval of new coal mining leases there.

Yours sincerely



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