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**To:** [State Development, Natural Resources and Agricultural Industry Development Committee](#)  
**Subject:** Submission on the Mineral Resources (Galilee Basin) Amendment Bill 2018  
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Dear Chair and Committee Members,

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

Based on the findings presented in the 2018 Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report that thermal coal must be phased out by 2050 if we are to keep global warming below 1.5 degrees and avoid catastrophic climate change and the loss of the Great Barrier Reef, including the approximately 69,000 jobs it currently creates, I strongly support the prohibition of any new coal mining leases and the cancellation of existing mining leases in the Galilee Basin.

I also support the proposition that no compensation be payable to affected mining lease holders on the grounds that they have been aware for at least 30 years that their industry is a major contributor to dangerous global warming and that there is no future for coal in an economy rapidly transitioning to renewable energy.

Thank you for your consideration of my submission.

Yours faithfully

Patricia Robyn Saunders

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