

Submission on the Bill before the Queensland Parliament that would stop Adani from mining in the Galilee Basin.

Dear Committee Secretary,  
State Development, Natural Resources and Agriculture  
Industry Development Committee,  
I am making this submission as the first Chairman and CEO of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority, as an Ocean Elder and as a Member of the Energy Forum of the Australian Academy of Science and Technology.

To explain my history and relevance, I list below my awards and relevant memberships;

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I believe, based on the scientific evidence, that the greatest threat to our biosphere and the future of the human race is the change to the earth's climate, caused mainly by the mining and burning of fossil fuels, of which coal is the most destructive fuel.

If we want future generations of humans to benefit from the actions of this generation and to avoid regarding us as unscientific, short-sighted, selfish and placing material economic profits over welfare, we should take action to decrease rapidly the use of fossil fuels.

The proposed Carmichael Mine and others in the Galilee Basin will add to the emission of CO2 globally, not only in the countries in which the coal is burned, but in Australia as well.

Our Great Barrier Reef- perhaps our most cherished natural treasure , and one of the seven natural treasures of the world, is already suffering ecologically and economically from climate change.

Our governments, communities, organisations and citizens have an obligation to protect our climate and our Reef. If we do not do this, we will be held in contempt by humans in the future.

Yours sincerely



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