To whom it may concern,

After watching Gas Lands and the Four Corners report program Gas Links on Monday 1st of April. I support the new EPA Bill.

After seeing the gas bubbles erupt into the Murray Darling water systems, of seeing high methane leaks near CSG plants. Please find another way to get fuels for eg - What happened to the Solar Dawn project that Anna Bligh was setting up but had to dismantle from Campbell Newman deconstructing it in his first day as Premier.

Please don't dry out our river systems from fracking - the Artesian Basin is too important to lose. If we don't have clean drinking water we don't have life - end of story.

Submission points:

- 1. The Bill is strongly supported and we would like to see it passed quickly through the Senate.
- 2. We are very pleased that the bilateral approval provisions of the EPBC Act cannot apply to coal and

- coal seam gas developments that impact on water resources, and that there have been some improvements to the exemptions.
- 3. We want to ensure that the exemptions contained in the Bill are minimised, and that key projects, such as the Arrow Coal Seam Gas project in Queensland and Camden in western Sydney, are not exempt from it. Therefore, we would still like to see minor amendments to remove s22 2b) and d).
- 4. We recognise that there are other amendments that would substantially improve the Bill, that may be required in the future, such as:
- Amending the Bill to cover all unconventional gas mining, including shale gas and tight gas, and unconventional coal mining
- Strengthening the role of the Independent Expert Scientific Committee
- Defining significant impacts on water resources
- Introducing a set of requirements for the Minister to consider when making decisions on water resource impacts
- Including a requirement for bioregional assessments prior to approval

Thanks for considering my words and that of others to provide proper investigations and putting the environment first