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Dear Ministers,

Objection to the Proposed APA Western Slopes Pipeline/Narrabri Gas Project

I am an adversely impacted landholder along the proposed APA Western Slopes Pipeline/Narrabri Gas Project route. I object to the pipeline crossing my property and I will fight to ensure that it does not cross my property.

I am concerned about the environmental impact of the pipeline on water quality and livestock production on my property and local biodiversity. I am concerned about the survival of my family in the region if they do not have the means to live in a financially and environmentally viable way. The proposed pipeline puts this at risk by exposing it to the commercial interests unconcerned and unaffected by any adverse impacts that might arise if they fail to operate in an environmentally safe and risk appropriate manner. This overshadowing risk the pipeline will bring on top of the economic and social impacts of drought would present an unacceptable threat to the agricultural industry and therefore the local economy more broadly. The threat posed is also applies to native flora and fauna in the region which, if anything, should be the focus of preservation and conservation efforts.

The long-term economic, social and environmental stability of the region would be compromised if the pipeline is installed and results in long-term damage to livestock management and biodiversity in affected areas.

Regional Australia needs government to step in and protect the small businesses and local industry and the environment so it is preserved for future generations as it has been for many generations that have come before us.

If the NSW Government is committed to the long term viability of the livestock industry, agriculture and rural NSW, it will not support in any way, the installation of the proposed APA Western Slopes Pipeline/Narrabri Gas Project.

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Jan Hertel
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