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Dear Sir/Madam,

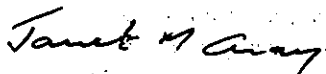
**SUBMISSION IN RESPONSE TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT OF THE
HUMELINK PROJECT**

I/we hereby submit this response to the HumeLink Environmental Impact Statement report.

We object to the HumeLink proposal on a number of grounds, as follows:

- *Increasing the risk with bushfires by undermining ground and aerial firefighting options and potentially starting fires;*
- *Impeding agricultural operations – prohibiting:*
 - *machinery over 4.3m;*
 - *spray irrigation;*
 - *aerial operations (spraying/fertilising);*
 - *the use of drones; and*
 - *precision agriculture.*
- *Undermining tourism;*
- *Destroying visual amenity;*
- *Exposing communities to noise – the noise from HumeLink, in certain weather conditions, will exceed NSW Noise Guidelines night time criteria at 65 dwellings;*
- *Undermining regional development by taking the liveability, workability and beauty from impacted regions;*
- *Causing the loss of biodiversity (HumeLink is significantly impacting matters of national environmental significance) by taking critically endangered habitat from critically endangered species].*

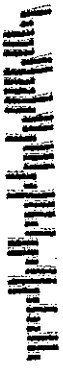
Yours sincerely,



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