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Dear Sir/Madam,

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

We hereby submit this response to the HumeLink Environmental Impact Statement report.

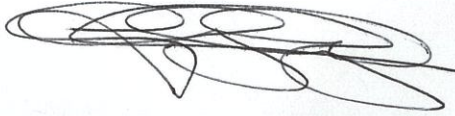
We strongly object to the HumeLink proposal on a number of grounds, as follows:

- Hard working rural Australians have had to bear the brunt of the onslaught of environmental initiatives, generally brought about by people who are not directly affected, for a number of years now and it needs to stop!! Upper Lachlan Shire has had more than its fair share.
- With the proliferation of ugly wind farms, which are a blight on the horizon destroying our, and our visitors visual amenity as well as the whole rural landscape affecting so many people who may be many kilometres from their origin. Also, but not as adverse, solar farms, a far better option, and hydro power generation.
- We are currently in clear view of a very ugly single circuit tower, which will grow to almost double its height under this proposal, becoming even more intrusive and adversely affecting the quiet enjoyment of our country home. The biggest concern is that rural families do not know just how their lives will be impacted by the proposal of raising the height of the current towers, which may be just out of view, to become a complete eyesore when they do come into view. Plans provided cannot adequately show where this will happen and by how much the view will be impacted.
- The increase in risk to our dedicated volunteer fire fighters cannot be underestimated as the voltage increases, and even the activities of workers installing the new towers, with the heightened risk of grass fires which would destroy our livestock, sheep, cattle and alpacas, and the landscape.
- We have been working tirelessly over the years to control weeds such as serrated tussock, with spraying from helicopter or crop duster, an effective control method. These new towers will impede

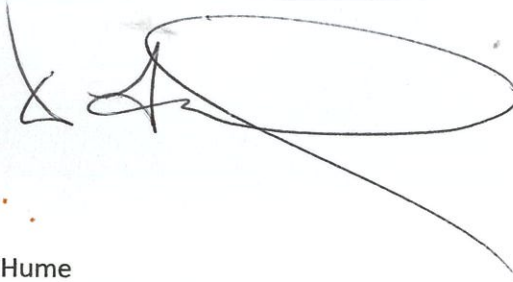
this important control, making it extremely dangerous for the aircraft operators and make some areas inaccessible to aerial spraying.

-It seems that the only logical and practical solution to this problem is to place all of the cabling, existing and proposed, underground.

Yours sincerely,

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Glenn & Donna Fitzpatrick

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Angus Taylor', with a large, loopy 'A' and 'T'.

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