

"Wombara" **GURLEY NSW 2398** 15TH October 2008

Queensland Hunter Gas Pipeline Submissions Major Infrastructure Assessments Department of Planning GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Sir,

QUEENSLAND HUNTER GAS PIPELINE PROJECT APPLICATION REFERENCE NO. 06 0286

We object to the Queensland Hunter Gas Pipeline proposal.

We have serious objections to the proposal, particularly in relation to its proposed route through farmland near Bellata in NSW.

The proposed route travels through prime farming country and any heavy movement of large earthmoving machinery will cause destruction to the integrity of the soil, a loss of vegetative matter and native fauna and finally lasting impaction of the soil.

In our opinion restoration of the land to its pre-pipeline state will take several years and even then it may not fully regain its current state.

We submit that the line would be better placed near the railway line or the highway or even the stock route.

We wish to express that we generally hold safety concerns for livestock and human inhabitants in the close vicinity of the proposed route.

Yours faithfully K & JA Chick