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NT Environmental Protection Authority Amendment Bill 2018

To the Social Policy Scrutiny Committee.

Hello. With limited time to read, cross reference and respond,

Please accept this as my submission regarding

the NT Environmental Protection Authority Amendment Bill 2018.

The Fracking Inquiry Panel Recommendations were to be implemented to minimise the risks and to ensure the safety of the waterways, Aquifers and land.

Submitting, attending and following the Fracking Inquiry Panel and the 135 Recommendations to mitigate the risks, it is noted recommendations are not implemented in the latest changes in the Acts.

There should be no exemptions for mining, petroleum, Fracking or UCG industries.

I noted the changes in the EPA Act & note it seems to be getting line to cover Fracking in the Territory. Fracking has no social licence.

Part 1, 3 the amendment states "The Act amends the NTEPA Act.

Does this mean this section has been deleted or stay as is -2017.?

Part 2. Section 8. 4 Economic, environmental and social equity considerations in its decision making, should still be part of the Act.

Contamination of Aquifers and waterways needs to be addressed , as water is a precious resource and must be protected. Water is Life.

regards,

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