M, Leigh-Anne – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:15:46

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Leigh-Anne M
Sent	29/05/2019 11:15:46 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the greater Australian community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances, in the NT and across all Australia.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Leigh-Anne M via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Leigh-Anne provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Leigh-Anne M at *********.

M.Moutinho, Mafalda – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 18:37:11

Subject	Please listen this is my objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Mafalda M.Moutinho
Sent	24/05/2019 6:37:11 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Mafalda M.Moutinho Umina Beach, New South Wales, 2257, Australia

This email was sent by Mafalda M.Moutinho via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Mafalda provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Mafalda M.Moutinho at *********.

M.Moutinho, Mafalda – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 19:29:58

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Mafalda M.Moutinho
Sent	29/05/2019 7:29:58 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Mafalda M.Moutinho Ettalong Beach, New South Wales, 2257, Australia

This email was sent by Mafalda M.Moutinho via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Mafalda provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Mafalda M.Moutinho at *********.

Macalpine, Cassie - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 17:11:52

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Cassie Macalpine
Sent	30/05/2019 5:11:52 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.
- 4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well - knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked 2018 with gas" http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely,

Cassie MacAlpine

This email was sent by Cassie MacAlpine via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC

3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *********, however Cassie provided an email address (********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Cassie MacAlpine at *********.

Macarthur, Jirrah - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 23:14:22

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jirrah Macarthur
Sent	23/05/2019 11:14:22 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jirrah MacArthur

This email was sent by Jirrah MacArthur via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jirrah provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jirrah MacArthur at *********.

Maccarrone, Jana – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:25:24

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jana Maccarrone
Sent	29/05/2019 12:25:24 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jana Maccarrone

This email was sent by Jana Maccarrone via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jana provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jana Maccarrone at *********.

Macculloch, Jaye - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 13:32:51

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jaye Macculloch
Sent	29/05/2019 1:32:51 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jaye MacCulloch Westleigh, New South Wales, 2120, Australia

This email was sent by Jaye MacCulloch via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jaye provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jaye MacCulloch at *********.

Macculloch, Lucy - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:09:18

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Lucy Macculloch
Sent	23/05/2019 6:09:18 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Lucy MacCulloch Westleigh, New South Wales, 2120, Australia

This email was sent by Lucy MacCulloch via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Lucy provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lucy MacCulloch at *********.

Macdonald, Sarah – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 16:57:43

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Sarah Macdonald
Sent	25/05/2019 4:57:43 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are:

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

And the 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of toxins including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose an unacceptable risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could easily cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Sarah Macdonald, a proud Australian and frequent NT Tourist. Plympton, South Australia, 5038, Australia

This email was sent by Sarah Macdonald via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Sarah provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sarah Macdonald at *********.

Macdougall, Liz - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 11:45:25

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Liz Macdougall
Sent	24/05/2019 11:45:25 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Liz Macdougall via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Liz provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Liz Macdougall at *********.

Macey, David – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 08:59:55

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	David Macey
Sent	30/05/2019 8:59:55 AM

To the N.T Ministers concerned.

We are horrified that the N T propose to frack for shale Gas wells on the land which belongs to Aboriginal peoples & which has been administered protectively for thousands of years, preserving essential water systems.

Fracking will result in more pollution - open Holding Tanks with chemicals not even listed as to their environmental danger! This is short term gain for long term disaster.

The results of fracking on farming land South is already a disaster for our agricultural land. It must be stopped at the source!!

With Grave Concern & Sincerel

Julia & David Macey. Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

David Macey *********

SA 5165

Macfie, Liz - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 11:13:27

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Liz Macfie
Sent	24/05/2019 11:13:27 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Liz Macfie St Leonards, New South Wales, 2065, Australia

This email was sent by Liz Macfie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Liz provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Liz Macfie at *********.

Macgregor, Emma – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 09:11:10

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Emma Macgregor
Sent	30/05/2019 9:11:10 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am from south gippsland, where our own lock the gate campaign was successful. Fracking is banned here in Vic, and should be banned everywhere else in Australia.

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid. Is this not against recommendations?

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site.

Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Emma Macgregor

This email was sent by Emma MacGregor via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Emma provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Emma MacGregor at *********.

Machin, Sue – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 08:06:13

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Sue Machin
Sent	29/05/2019 8:06:13 AM

Please think of the future! This will be a climate disaster, destroying our country and water.

Sue Machin ************** NSW 2627

Macintyre, Andrew – Sunday, 26 May 2019 – 10:19:41

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Andrew Macintyre
Sent	26/05/2019 10:19:41 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Andrew Macintyre College Park, South Australia, 5069, Australia

This email was sent by Andrew Macintyre via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Andrew provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Andrew Macintyre at *********.

Macintyre, Andrew - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 16:51:44

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Andrew Macintyre
Sent	30/05/2019 4:51:44 PM

Please stop plans to frack- exploring and exploiting potential gas fields.

The planet needs less CO2 in the atmosphere, not more.

In addition, unknown and potentially deadly chemicals will be generated and sometime in the future will cause real harm to humans and the environment generally.

Yours faithfully, Andrew Macintyre (Phone *******)

Mack, Jim – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 20:28:10

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jim Mack
Sent	29/05/2019 8:28:10 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jim Mack Darlington, South Australia, 5047, Australia

This email was sent by Jim Mack via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jim provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jim Mack at *********.

Mackay, Ada - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 19:13:14

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Ada Mackay
Sent	30/05/2019 7:13:14 PM

Fracking upsets ground water and this the ecosystem. Caring for the land is important to all people but more particularly the local Aboriginal people. Australia has a lot of solar, wind and wave energy that we can use without damage to the environment or people. Pleas stop the fracking.

Ada Mackay

ada Mackay *******

NSW 2138

Mackay, Georgia – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:04:51

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Georgia Mackay
Sent	29/05/2019 11:04:51 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the Australian public, and someone who was born in the Northern Territory, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.
- 4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high

pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Georgia Mackay Christies Beach, South Australia, 5165, Australia This email was sent by Georgia Mackay via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Georgia provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Georgia Mackay at *********.

Mackay, Pete - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 08:21:57

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Pete Mackay
Sent	24/05/2019 8:21:57 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. As one who has come off the land we cant in any way impact our ground water and fracking will be disasterous as such. We all know that in our hearts.
- 2. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 3. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 4. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

5. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, pete m Eli Waters, Queensland, 4655, Australia

This email was sent by pete mackay via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however pete provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to pete mackay at *********.

Mackenzie, Deborah - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 14:07:44

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Deborah Mackenzie
Sent	25/05/2019 2:07:44 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Deborah Mackenzie

This email was sent by Deborah Mackenzie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Deborah provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Deborah Mackenzie at *********.

Mackenzie, Iona - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 01:11:51

Subject	iona.mackenzie@gmail.com
From	Iona Mackenzie
Sent	29/05/2019 1:11:51 AM

where in the world is it written by environmental scientists that this is a safe practice. stop destroying our living planet. it i sour home and we have to take care of it. atmospheric pollution and global 1million species extinct are canary in the coal mine warnings. don't so dim and shortsighted. we cannot drink poisoned waters.. help us save ourselves.

Iona Mackenzie ************ NSW 2010

Mackenzie, Kelly – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 09:31:39

Subject	Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan is trash
From	Kelly Mackenzie
Sent	28/05/2019 9:31:39 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Kelly Mackenzie Heidelberg, Victoria, 3084, Australia

This email was sent by Kelly Mackenzie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Kelly provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kelly Mackenzie at *********.

Mackenzie, Sheryl – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 09:11:35

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sheryl Mackenzie
Sent	24/05/2019 9:11:35 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sheryl MacKenzie Eight Mile Plains, Queensland, 4113, Australia

This email was sent by Sheryl MacKenzie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Sheryl provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sheryl MacKenzie at *********.

Mackinnon, Lisa – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 23:46:18

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Lisa Mackinnon
Sent	29/05/2019 11:46:18 PM

Fracking involves numerous chemicals, some of which are well-known to be toxic to people and the natural environment and many others where the impact is less clear. The risk of permanently making significant amounts of ground-water undrinkable and unusable for both human and animal consumption is high particularly if efforts are not made to contain and manage the polluted water and other areas. There are also concerns about the consultation processes with the Traditional Owners. Approval should not be given to this project to drill an exploration well.

Macleod, Davina – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:45:11

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Davina Macleod
Sent	29/05/2019 11:45:11 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Davina MacLeod

This email was sent by Davina MacLeod via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Davina provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Davina MacLeod at *********.

Macpherson, Kim - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 12:44:54

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Kim Macpherson
Sent	24/05/2019 12:44:54 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Kim Macpherson via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Kim provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kim Macpherson at *********.

Macpherson, Kim – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 14:19:02

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Kim Macpherson
Sent	29/05/2019 2:19:02 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Kim Macpherson via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Kim provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kim Macpherson at *********.

Macqueen, Angus – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:52:59

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Angus Macmahon Macqueen
Sent	29/05/2019 11:52:59 AM

I am very concerned about Origin Energy's plan to acquire permission to begin a gas fracking operation in the Northern Territory. The dangers of fracking are well known. Principal among them are the nature of the copious amounts of chemicals used and the methods of storage. These chemicals poison the environment both above and below ground as they are introduced into fracking wells. The hazard to underground water supplies is very serious. I think it is intolerable that a government might approve the long-term poisoning of large tracts of land. We must not do further environmental damage in this country.

The Traditional Owners must have free access to be able to comprehensively evaluate the hazards of this proposal for their land.

This is a classic proposal that will lay waste to large tracts of land.

It should not be allowed to proceed.

Angus Macqueen postcode 4054.

Angus MacMahon Macqueen ***********
OLD 4054

Madabushi, Anna – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 10:12:39

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Anna Madabushi
Sent	30/05/2019 10:12:39 AM

I gravely object to this project going ahead. As a medical specialist I am all to aware of the significant threat to human health the process of fracking poses. It results in dangerous chemicals as waste products and is a HUGE threat to our water supply. This risk is greatly compounded through open tanks storage - something Origin is proposing. This seems ludicrously to allow a company to knowingly do something so dangerous in this day and age. Don't let them destroy our country!!!

anna Madabushi ************ NT 0870

Madden, Jamie – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 10:53:56

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jamie Madden
Sent	29/05/2019 10:53:56 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, jamie madden Waterloo, New South Wales, 2017, Australia

This email was sent by jamie madden via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however jamie provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to jamie madden at *********.

Madden, Meg - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 16:18:45

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Meg Madden
Sent	24/05/2019 4:18:45 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Meg Madden via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Meg provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Meg Madden at *********.

Maddick, Lily - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 19:27:58

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Lily Maddick
Sent	23/05/2019 7:27:58 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Lily Maddick Nook, Tasmania, 7306, Australia

This email was sent by Lily Maddick via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Lily provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lily Maddick at *********.

Madigan, Mary - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 15:40:56

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Mary Madigan
Sent	29/05/2019 3:40:56 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

The future of energy is renewables. Coal is yesterdays energy source and any company that thinks differently will be left behind. Approving a Coal mine in 2019 + is a disgrace.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Mary Madigan Langwarrin, Victoria, 3910, Australia

This email was sent by Mary Madigan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Mary provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Mary Madigan at *********.

Madigan, Michele - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 12:15:32

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Michele Madigan
Sent	29/05/2019 12:15:32 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

The very nature of the fracking procedure means that there will be irreversible damage done by such an invasive, damaging procedure. Because of its totally intrusive nature, fracking should in no way be permitted.

Any of us who has anything to do with mining and other resources companies and their procedures has learned to treat with prudent scepticism, bland company assurances of careful procedures which will have minimal impact on lands and the groundwaters (supporting the animal and plant life of the area) that they have designated desires to exploit. The effects on human health and other human activity such as animal husbandry and tourism are, as a matter of course, also gravely minimised by such companies in their EIS statements.

We're already experiencing dangerous climate change, with record breaking temperatures and weather extremes across Australia. Fracking will produce huge carbon emissions, with devastating consequences for the climate, impacting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people first and worst. Remote and regional Aboriginal communities in the NT face the threat of extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding, which could force many communities to move off their country.

As Professor Irene Watson (Tanganekald, Meintangk) Traditional Owner from the southeast of SA summarises the short lived nature of any unconventional gas project – and its disastrous aftermath: It is our understanding that in general, unconventional gas projects have a short term life of up to 30 years. Such short term gain cannot be offset by the high probability of long-term risk to our lands and waters. First Nations Peoples know that without the sustainability of the land to provide food and water, the future of humanity, along with other species, is threatened

Unsustainable competition for finite water resources must be disallowed. In this time of unprecedented environmental disasters potential for release of greenhouse gases as fugitive emissions which increases climate change must be avoided at all costs.'

Learning from National and International Experiences.

We must learn from the mistakes of the past, including the recent past, concerning similar projects in other areas, - in Australia and overseas. It is in fact, only recently that within our own country, the state of Queensland has been forced, in the aftermath of disastrous destruction to country, to ban fracking throughout the state.

In 2015 (4/12/15) the Parliament of South Australia's Natural Resources Committee in their videoed interview with Professor Tony Ingraffea learned much about the experiences of various regions in the United States. The US experience has shown, for example, that much deeper drilling may be necessary as original estimates prove too optimistic.

As an international expert, Professor Ingraffea advising at the time of the South East of SA proposal, that drilling may have to extend to 2000 or 3000 metres down. Moreover, as well as depth drilling, the same vast distance of drilling will be required in lateral connection.

Despite Aboriginal communities in the Northern Territory saying no to fracking on their country, Origin Energy is pushing ahead with their dangerous fracking plans.

In the interests of the health of country, groundwaters and the health of present and future generations of Northern Territorians, this dangerous project must not be allowed to go ahead.

Thank you for receiving my submission.

Michele Madigan

29th May 2019

Yours sincerely, Michele Madigan Tailem Bend, South Australia, 5260, Australia

This email was sent by Michele Madigan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Michele provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Michele Madigan at *********.

Magann, Colin - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:46:38

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Colin Magann
Sent	23/05/2019 6:46:38 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Colin Magann Altona North, Victoria, 3025, Australia

This email was sent by Colin Magann via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Colin provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Colin Magann at *********.

Magarey, Christopher – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 20:13:21

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Christopher Magarey
Sent	23/05/2019 8:13:21 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Christopher Magarey Mortdale, New South Wales, 2223, Australia

This email was sent by Christopher Magarey via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Christopher provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Christopher Magarey at *********.

Magarey, Christopher – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 20:38:37

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Christopher Magarey
Sent	30/05/2019 8:38:37 PM

I object to the proposal by Origin Energy to drill shale gas wells in the Northern Territory of Australia because:

- 1. International authorities show that if dangerous climate change is to be avoided, no more gas wells should be opened. There are already more than enough to exceed a moderately safe level of atmospheric CO2
- 2. Fracking involves the use of chemicals, of which the health and environmental risks are unknown. It is cavalier to pollute the pristine land of Australia's Northern Territory in this way.
- 3. No plan has been developed for the safe storage of these chemicals after their use in the fracking process. They represent a long term threat to human health and the environment.
- 4. The traditional owners have not provided free and informed consent to the process of fracking in their land.

Christopher Magarey

NSW 2223

Magee, Paul - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 21:45:00

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Paul Magee
Sent	30/05/2019 9:45:00 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Paul Magee Maleny, Queensland, 4552, Australia

This email was sent by Paul Magee via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Paul provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Paul Magee at *********.

Maglana, Noel – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 10:32:00

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Noel Maglana
Sent	30/05/2019 10:32:00 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Noel Maglana Fitzroy, Victoria, 3065, Australia

This email was sent by Noel Maglana via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Noel provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Noel Maglana at *********.

Magnusson, Lisa - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 20:35:01

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Lisa Magnusson
Sent	24/05/2019 8:35:01 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Lisa Magnusson Fitzroy North, Victoria, 3068, Australia

This email was sent by Lisa Magnusson via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Lisa provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lisa Magnusson at *********.

Magree, Xavier – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:17:33

Subject	Objections to Origin Energy's EMP
From	Xavier Magree
Sent	29/05/2019 3:17:33 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Xavier Magree

This email was sent by Xavier Magree via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Xavier provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Xavier Magree at *********.

Magriplis, Manju – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 10:56:08

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Manju Magriplis
Sent	29/05/2019 10:56:08 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Manju Magriplis Murwillumbah, New South Wales, 2484, Australia

This email was sent by Manju Magriplis via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Manju provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Manju Magriplis at *********.

Maguire, Bob - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 15:11:16

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Bob Maguire
Sent	24/05/2019 3:11:16 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Bob Maguire Northcote South, Victoria, 3070, Australia

This email was sent by Bob Maguire via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Bob provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Bob Maguire at *********.

Maguire, Moya - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 14:24:31

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Moya Maguire
Sent	26/05/2019 2:24:31 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Moya Maguire

This email was sent by Moya Maguire via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Moya provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Moya Maguire at *********.

Mahaffey, Leeanne – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 13:04:22

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Leeanne Mahaffey
Sent	24/05/2019 1:04:22 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, leeanne mahaffey Nightcliff, Northern Territory, 0810, Australia

This email was sent by leeanne mahaffey via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however leeanne provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to leeanne mahaffey at *********.

Mahaffy, Linda – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 14:55:57

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Linda Mahaffy
Sent	24/05/2019 2:55:57 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Linda Mahaffy Beaudesert, Queensland, 4285, Australia

This email was sent by Linda Mahaffy via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Linda provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Linda Mahaffy at *********.

Mahar, Corey - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 08:38:44

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Corey Mahar
Sent	24/05/2019 8:38:44 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Corey Mahar

This email was sent by Corey Mahar via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Corey provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Corey Mahar at *********.

Mahenthirarajah, Aran – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 07:33:00

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Aran Mahenthirarajah
Sent	24/05/2019 7:33:00 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Aran Mahenthirarajah Kensington, New South Wales, 2033, Australia

This email was sent by Aran Mahenthirarajah via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Aran provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Aran Mahenthirarajah at *********.

Maher, J – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 22:12:03

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	J Maher
Sent	29/05/2019 10:12:03 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

Protect the environment.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, J Maher Lilli Pilli, New South Wales, 2536, Australia

This email was sent by J Maher via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however J provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to J Maher at *********.

Mahon, Leslie - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 22:59:49

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Leslie Mc Mahon
Sent	24/05/2019 10:59:49 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Leslie Mc Mahon

This email was sent by Leslie Mc Mahon via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Leslie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Leslie Mc Mahon at *********.

Mahoney, Mary - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 10:35:32

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Mary Mahoney
Sent	30/05/2019 10:35:32 AM

Dear NT Government

I write to state my objection to fracking in NT and urge you to not approve the request by Origin. The horrors of fracking are well known. Please do not succumb to pressure from Origin

Thanks.

Mary Mahoney *******

VIC 3204

Mahony, Brian - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 10:29:00

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Brian Mahony
Sent	27/05/2019 10:29:00 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Brian Mahony via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Brian provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Brian Mahony at *********.

Main, Robert - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 11:49:13

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Robert Main
Sent	24/05/2019 11:49:13 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Robert Main Noble Park, Victoria, 3174, Australia

This email was sent by Robert Main via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Robert provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Robert Main at *********.

Main, Robert - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 18:26:53

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Robert Main
Sent	28/05/2019 6:26:53 PM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to the left to guide your submission.

Maison, Sandra – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 21:38:06

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sandra Maison
Sent	29/05/2019 9:38:06 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sandra Maison Pakenham, Victoria, 3810, Australia

This email was sent by Sandra Maison via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Sandra provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sandra Maison at *********.

Maitland, Rob - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 10:28:16

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Rob Maitland
Sent	30/05/2019 10:28:16 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Rob Maitland Marcoola, Queensland, 4564, Australia

This email was sent by Rob Maitland via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Rob provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Rob Maitland at *********.

Maitland-Smith, Robina - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 12:50:44

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Robina Maitland-Smith
Sent	26/05/2019 12:50:44 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Our remaining human history will vilify these regressive proposals. Origin designating finances from overpriced current power sources to renewable energy as opposed to the heart rending destruction & toxicity of coal seam fracking is an obvious choice.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Robina Maitland-Smith Western Australia, 6740, Australia

This email was sent by Robina Maitland-Smith via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Robina provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Robina Maitland-Smith at *********.

Maitrepierre, Pascale – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 21:11:11

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Pascale Maitrepierre
Sent	28/05/2019 9:11:11 PM

Please don't frack the Northern Territories. I am a customer and receive adds about solar energy provided by you. Was nearly interested but.... Why do you have to destroy such a beautiful, rare area. It will be the end of it, and on a long term the end of this world.

We are at a turning point if we want to save the planet, fight the global warming and give our children a future.

Many countries have forbidden fracking and I can't understand why you Origin are still in the denial of the results of many scientific studies.

Use your ressources to produce energy from environmentally friendly ressources.

Reading what your plans are in the Northern Territories push me to cancel my account with you. I don't want to be part of this destruction.

If you want to keep your company listen to people. The Australians are fed up with all of you. You pollute, exploit your workers, don't pay the taxes you should pay so our only power is to fight back the way we can which means cancelling our account. I'll do it tomorrow.

So long!

Pascale Maitrepierre

MAK, B.K. - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 22:01:50

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	B.K. MAK
Sent	29/05/2019 10:01:50 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, B.K. MAK

This email was sent by B.K. MAK via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however B.K. provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to B.K. MAK at *********.

Makeig, Jason – Sunday, 26 May 2019 – 07:29:46

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Jason Makeig
Sent	26/05/2019 7:29:46 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

(I Jason Makeig endorse the generic material in this email)

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Jason Makeig Cooran, Queensland, 4569, Australia

This email was sent by Jason Makeig via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jason provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jason Makeig at *********.

Makeig, Jason - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 12:46:08

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jason Makeig
Sent	29/05/2019 12:46:08 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), (Please acknowledge the below generic letter which I endorse with a passion.. Thankyou)

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jason Makeig Cooran, Queensland, 4569, Australia

This email was sent by Jason Makeig via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jason provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jason Makeig at *********.

Makhijani, Anne – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 14:55:29

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Anne Makhijani
Sent	30/05/2019 2:55:29 PM

This is not the correct direction if we are serious about tackling Climate Change. Exploring for gas with the intent to potentially open 6000 gas wells, will set us back for generations and will risk our environmental and economic well being far into the future.

Fracking uses dangerous chemicals that pose a risk to human health, as they have not been adequately tested.

Open storage tanks that allow millions of litres of polluted water to flow back, will have a devastating impact on human health and the environment.

There is concern about whether the traditional owners have been provided all the scientific and risk information, so they could make informed consent to this project. Without informed consent of the traditional owners the project MUST NOT go ahead.

Do not allow vested interests and corporate greed to control such important decision making in the NT.

Yours sincerely,

Anne Makhijani VIC 3133

Malcolm, David - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 12:59:22

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	David Malcolm
Sent	29/05/2019 12:59:22 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, David Malcolm Williamstown, Victoria, 3016, Australia

This email was sent by David Malcolm via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however David provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to David Malcolm at *********.

Male, Ellen – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 15:09:11

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Ellen Male
Sent	24/05/2019 3:09:11 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Ellen Male Unley, South Australia, 5061, Australia

This email was sent by Ellen Male via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Ellen provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ellen Male at *********.

Male, Ellen – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 12:53:46

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Ellen Male
Sent	25/05/2019 12:53:46 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Ellen Male Surrey Downs, South Australia, 5126, Australia

This email was sent by Ellen Male via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Ellen provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ellen Male at *********.

Mallaby, Glenn – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 09:07:20

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Glenn Mallaby
Sent	25/05/2019 9:07:20 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Please reply to Glenn Mallaby at *********.

Mallinson, Fuchsia - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:19:23

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Fuchsia Mallinson
Sent	23/05/2019 6:19:23 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Fuchsia Mallinson Coburg, Victoria, 3058, Australia

This email was sent by Fuchsia Mallinson via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Fuchsia provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Fuchsia Mallinson at *********.

Mallory, Bernie – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 14:00:56

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Bernie Mallory
Sent	29/05/2019 2:00:56 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Bernie Mallory Mount Druitt, New South Wales, 2770, Australia

This email was sent by Bernie Mallory via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Bernie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Bernie Mallory at *********.

Malone, Emily – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 18:17:23

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Emily Malone
Sent	24/05/2019 6:17:23 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Emily Malone Maidstone, Victoria, 3012, Australia

This email was sent by Emily Malone via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Emily provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Emily Malone at *********.

Malone, Tracy - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 13:29:21

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Tracy Malone
Sent	29/05/2019 1:29:21 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Tracy Malone Highvale, Queensland, 4520, Australia

This email was sent by Tracy Malone via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Tracy provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Tracy Malone at *********.

Maloney, Lou - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 09:02:16

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Lou Maloney
Sent	24/05/2019 9:02:16 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Lou Maloney

This email was sent by Lou Maloney via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ***********, however Lou provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lou Maloney at *********.

Malouf, Merrian – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:21:13

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Merrian Malouf
Sent	29/05/2019 3:21:13 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Merrian Malouf Middle Pocket, New South Wales, 2483, Australia

This email was sent by Merrian Malouf via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Merrian provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Merrian Malouf at *********.

Malton, Leonie – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 20:55:15

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Leonie Malton
Sent	29/05/2019 8:55:15 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Leonie Malton Huskisson, New South Wales, 2540, Australia

This email was sent by Leonie Malton via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Leonie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Leonie Malton at *********.

Mana, Lillia – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 19:23:08

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Lillia Mana
Sent	28/05/2019 7:23:08 PM

To Write your submission here - use our talking points to the left to guide your submission.

Lillia Mana ************* NSW 2756

Manandhar, Aruna – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 04:20:08

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Aruna Manandhar
Sent	29/05/2019 4:20:08 AM

I would like to object to this project and don't believe it should go ahead.

This project is a threat to our safe climate future.

Origin's exploration well has the potential to lead to hundreds of Origin's shale gas wells in full production phase, and to the further development of Northern Territory's unconventional gas industry, which NT government sources have said could mean over 6000 gas wells.1 The gas industries' peak body, the Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association, has said there are over 200 trillion cubic feet of gas in the Northern Territory, which is the equivalent to 50 power stations operating for thirty years.2 We simply cannot afford such a climate disaster.

The fracking processes uses dangerous chemicals that represent a threat to human health, the natural environment and water sources.

Origin have provided a list of chemicals that will be stored and used on the site of their exploration well Many of these chemicals do not have available health data. These chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in the fracking processes.

The health and environmental risks of the dangerous chemicals used in the fracking processes are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks.

Origin is proposing using open tanks to store liquids that flow back after the fracking process, which will be millions of litres. This is in spite of the fact that the Northern Territory fracking inquiry recommended that all polluted water from the fracking process be stored in closed tanks to minimise risks to human life and the natural environment.4

There are serious concerns as to whether Traditional Owners have been able to provide free, prior and informed consent to the fracking process.

The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory stated that, 'Aboriginal people from regional communities who made submissions to the Panel almost universally expressed deep concern about, and strong opposition to, the development of any onshore shale gas industry on their country.'4 This included communities in the Beetaloo basin where this exploration well will be located. A report from the Jumbunna Institute at UTS, 5 has questioned whether communities have been provided adequate information about the fracking processes, leading to the conclusion that 'based on a review of publicly available information, the report finds that most – if not all – exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of free, prior and informed consent'. In this context it is not appropriate to proceed with the current exploration permit without further consultation.

Aruna Manandhar ********** NSW 2148

Mandin, Damien – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:51:08

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Damien Mandin
Sent	29/05/2019 11:51:08 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Please, one more time be conscious of our environment. Do not think about money in a first place, think about humanity, and every living beings on Earth.

We are not supposed to harness everything. Instead We are guardians, helpers, and wised people. We should care for our environment, as we care for ourselves and all our material belongings.

Please, make the right choose and say No to fracking and origin.

Yours sincerely???????

Damien?? Mandin ??

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous

Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants

- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Damien Mandin West Leederville, Western Australia, 6007, Australia

This email was sent by Damien Mandin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Damien provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Damien Mandin at *********.

Mandivheyi, Panashe – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 23:40:55

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Panashe Mandivheyi
Sent	28/05/2019 11:40:55 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Panashe Mandivheyi Muirhead, Northern Territory, 0810, Australia

This email was sent by Panashe Mandivheyi via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Panashe provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Panashe Mandivheyi at *********.

Manfield, Ben - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 12:26:11

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Ben Manfield
Sent	26/05/2019 12:26:11 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Ben Manfield Moulden, Northern Territory, 0830, Australia

This email was sent by Ben Manfield via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Ben provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ben Manfield at *********.

Mangini, Mr - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 19:02:28

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Mr David Mangini
Sent	28/05/2019 7:02:28 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Mr David Mangini Como, Western Australia, 6152, Australia

This email was sent by Mr David Mangini via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Mr David provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Mr David Mangini at *********.

Mangold, Missy – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 15:27:13

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Missy Mangold
Sent	30/05/2019 3:27:13 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Missy Mangold via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Missy provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Missy Mangold at *********.

Manigian, Mary – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 14:25:45

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Mary Anne Manigian
Sent	29/05/2019 2:25:45 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Mary Anne Manigian Bagdad, Tasmania, 7030, Australia

This email was sent by Mary Anne Manigian via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Mary Anne provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Mary Anne Manigian at *********.

Maning, Daisy – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 06:41:35

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Daisy Maning
Sent	28/05/2019 6:41:35 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Daisy Maning Bellerive, Tasmania, 7018, Australia

This email was sent by Daisy Maning via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Daisy provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Daisy Maning at *********.

Manley, Jessica – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 15:04:36

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Jessica Manley
Sent	30/05/2019 3:04:36 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Jessica Manley Chum Creek, Victoria, 3777, Australia

This email was sent by Jessica Manley via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jessica provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jessica Manley at *********.

Mannens, Jessica - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 11:51:01

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jessica Mannens
Sent	30/05/2019 11:51:01 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jessica Mannens Red Hill, Queensland, 4059, Australia

This email was sent by Jessica Mannens via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jessica provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jessica Mannens at *********.

Manning, Bert – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 08:35:50

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Bert Manning
Sent	29/05/2019 8:35:50 AM

To the NT Government,

I'm writing to urge you to NOT allow Fracking for gas in Betalloo basin or other parts of The Territory.

I believe this style of energy production is over, in our Human drive for more energy!

It's simply too dangerous and destructive to our planet!

Please refuse Origins current gas-fracking submission and ask them to

Invest in long term renewable energy!

Yours sincerely

Bert Manning

2575 Mittagong NSW

Bert Manning ************** NSW 2575

Manning, Nicole - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 08:13:00

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Nicole Manning
Sent	30/05/2019 8:13:00 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Nicole Manning Emerald, Victoria, 3782, Australia

This email was sent by Nicole Manning via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Nicole provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Nicole Manning at *********.

Manorathan, Ashwini – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:45:02

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Ashwini Manorathan
Sent	29/05/2019 1:45:02 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Ashwini Manorathan

This email was sent by Ashwini Manorathan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Ashwini provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ashwini Manorathan at *********.

Manos, Dr - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 19:24:25

Subject	Origin plan unacceptable
From	Dr George Manos
Sent	28/05/2019 7:24:25 PM

To Whom it Concerns

Origin is breaking the rules in the following ways and must NOT be allowed to use the dangerous chemicals they propose to frack in the NT.

- 1 Chemicals need to be stored in closed and sealed tanks to avoid poisoning of wildlife drinking from open pools. Origin have not heeded the advice of experts on this matter
- 2 Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking
- 3. Origin Energy contradicts itself by claiming to care environmentally even though the company proposes reckless methods of extracting from the ground. Poisons that will spill into the soil, and the water table are NOT SAFE ENVIRONMENTAL PRACTICES.
- 4. Storage of waste matter moved to Queensland is as unsafe as storage anywhere else. This is a bizarre idea. Origin have brought their reckless pollution to Queensland and now want to repeat this behaviour in the NT.

The NT is a unique area for people and nature. It must be protected and maintained for generations to come.

Yours sincerely, Dr George Manos Mitcham Shopping Centre, South Australia, 5062, Australia

This email was sent by Dr George Manos via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Dr George provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Dr George Manos at *********.

Mansbridge, Karen – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 08:47:47

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Karen Mansbridge
Sent	29/05/2019 8:47:47 AM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

Mansbridge, Karen – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 18:25:27

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Karen Mansbridge
Sent	29/05/2019 6:25:27 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Karen Mansbridge

This email was sent by Karen Mansbridge via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Karen provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Karen Mansbridge at *********.

Mansfield, Philip – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:39:11

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Philip Mansfield
Sent	29/05/2019 3:39:11 PM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission. ********* says that British colonialism is responsible for Australian Aboriginal genocide and fracking the land is a continuation of this history, please stop this deadly practice now.

Mantel, Peter – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 19:31:38

Subject	Thousands of years of traditional ownership: please don't sell our future
From	Peter Mantel
Sent	28/05/2019 7:31:38 PM

Dear NT

I object to any fracking in the NT.

This country's traditional owners cannot survive on fracked land. Fracking this country will be a climate disaster and will destroy water and country for generations.

As a responsible government, you owe a duty of care to our traditional owners, to future generations and to the future of the country and water.

Open and transparent governance precludes undertaking activities such as fracking which would poison the land for eons.

Stand up, accept responsibility, take ownership of your decisions, and protect the land for future generations.

Best regards, Peter Mantel.

Manuell, Jocelyn – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:04:39

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jocelyn Manuell
Sent	29/05/2019 12:04:39 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jocelyn Manuell Red Hill, Victoria, 3937, Australia

This email was sent by Jocelyn Manuell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jocelyn provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jocelyn Manuell at *********.

Manzalini, Sonya - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 08:02:39

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Sonya Manzalini
Sent	26/05/2019 8:02:39 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Sonya Manzalini Adamstown, New South Wales, 2289, Australia

This email was sent by Sonya Manzalini via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Sonya provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sonya Manzalini at *********.

Mao, Jon – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 21:23:25

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jon Mao
Sent	29/05/2019 9:23:25 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jon Mao

This email was sent by Jon Mao via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jon provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jon Mao at *********.

Maples, Joanne - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:39:31

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Joanne Maples
Sent	23/05/2019 6:39:31 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

Not to mention that experience in Pennsylvania shows real detrimental change to the landscape. See for example, The Smithsonian Magazine's article on 'Tracking Frackers from the Sky' published on November 10, 2014.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Joanne Maples

This email was sent by Joanne Maples via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Joanne provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Joanne Maples at *********.

Mapleson, Alison – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 18:34:16

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Alison Mapleson
Sent	29/05/2019 6:34:16 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Alison Mapleson St Kilda, Victoria, 3182, Australia

This email was sent by Alison Mapleson via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Alison provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Alison Mapleson at *********.

Marchant, Mel – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:57:43

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Mel Marchant
Sent	29/05/2019 3:57:43 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I STRONGLY OBJECT to the approval of this EMP - below are the reasons:

"The gas extracted from shale deposits is not a 'bridge' to a renewable energy future - it's a gangplank to more warming and away from clean energy investments" Anthony Ingraffea (oil & gas engineer - helped develop shale fracking techniques for the US Energy Dept)

Make no mistake - hydraulic fracturing is a desperate, mad cap, science fiction method to extract gas. It is simply dangerous. It would not even be looked at by any company except that other gas sources have run out but the drive for profit is unstoppable. The length of the list of environmental concerns alone is enough to be a major warning to any sane person. Rest assured the NT local communities and environmental protection are definitely NOT a priority for Origin. Origin Energy have not been transparent, they have not been honest and they are attempting to confuse the facts at every step of the way. One thing is clear, Origin Energy are only submitting to doing an EMP because they have to - and let's face it - that says it all.

My strong objection is also because of these further issues:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.

- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.
- 4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. ORigin Energy must consult with Aboriginal Communities must pay the Aboriginal Communities a fee (specified by the communities) for each consultation
- 5. No work to commence until a full report of the history, outcome, damage report, cultural impact, environmental impact including a full and accurate count of actual lasting jobs created, of at least two other international fracking enterprises is submitted by an Aboriginal COmmunity Consultative Committee. This must include visits and consultations to those enterprises and the surrounding communities with an emphasis on the impact on the local indigenous communities. This must be fully financed by Origin Energy.
- 6. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Mel Marchant Australian Capital Territory, 2617, Australia

This email was sent by Mel Marchant via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **************, however Mel provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Mel Marchant at *********.

March-Brown, Cassandra – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 10:39:57

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Cassandra March-Brown
Sent	30/05/2019 10:39:57 AM

As a customer of origin energy I am writing to strongly reject fracking or other gas, oil or coal mining in the NT and wider Australia.

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Cassandra March-brown Coorparoo, Queensland, 4151, Australia

This email was sent by Cassandra March-brown via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Cassandra provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Cassandra March-brown at *********.

Marcuzzi, Luciano - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 09:08:37

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Luciano Marcuzzi
Sent	30/05/2019 9:08:37 AM

Fracking is not an energy solution.

Mardel, Michael - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 21:10:00

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Michael Mardel
Sent	28/05/2019 9:10:00 PM

Origin's exploration well has the potential to lead to hundreds of Origin's shale gas wells in full production phase, and to the further development of Northern Territory's unconventional gas industry, which NT government sources have said could mean over 6000 gas wells.

Marett, Anne – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:18:37

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Anne Marett
Sent	29/05/2019 12:18:37 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

Although I do not live in the NT I have spent quite a bit of time there and have developed a deep affection for the land and the people of the Territory.

I am deeply shocked that this hydraulic fracturing project is being considered seriously. Should this go ahead, this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and indeed the whole planet. Direct emissions from the burning of gas and fugitive emissions from the mining process are completely unacceptable at this time of what is now an acknowledged climate emergency. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this most severely, from extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding which could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country.

There is also the question of storage of waste water in open air tanks and the risk of contamination from these during flood events.

It is my understanding that Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners. The Inquiry also found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land.

For these reasons, and many others any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

We all know that the age of fossil fuels is fast coming to an end. And it is well past the time to stop exploiting the Aboriginal people of Australia and truly listen to their voices and their concerns. We are all aware of the tactics mining companies use to divide and conquer Aboriginal communities to get their destructive way . This time let us respect their voices and put a stop to exploration for gas and oil and a permanent ban on fracking any land in the NT.

Yours sincerely, Anne Marett Corrimal, New South Wales, 2518, Australia

This email was sent by Anne Marett via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Anne provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Anne Marett at *********.

Margetson, Don – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:22:07

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Don Margetson
Sent	29/05/2019 11:22:07 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Don Margetson

This email was sent by Don Margetson via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Don provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Don Margetson at *********.

Margolis, Michele – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 14:12:06

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Michele Margolis
Sent	29/05/2019 2:12:06 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Michele Margolis

This email was sent by Michele Margolis via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Michele provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Michele Margolis at *********.

Marich, Julie - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 10:07:49

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Julie Marich
Sent	27/05/2019 10:07:49 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Julie Marich via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Julie provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Julie Marich at *********.

Mari-Dale, Melissa - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 13:44:33

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Melissa Mari-Dale
Sent	24/05/2019 1:44:33 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Melissa Mari-Dale Berowra Waters, New South Wales, 2082, Australia

This email was sent by Melissa Mari-Dale via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Melissa provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Melissa Mari-Dale at *********.

Marie, Kerry - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 06:05:11

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Kerry Marie
Sent	29/05/2019 6:05:11 AM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to the left to guide your submission.

Marie, Marie - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 13:28:29

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Marie Marie
Sent	25/05/2019 1:28:29 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Marie Marie Winfield, Queensland, 4670, Australia

This email was sent by Marie Marie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Marie provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Marie Marie at *********.

Marie, Rose - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 16:21:19

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Rose Marie
Sent	24/05/2019 4:21:19 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Rose Marie Pearsall, Western Australia, 6065, Australia

This email was sent by Rose Marie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Rose provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Rose Marie at *********.

Marinova, Emily - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:03:18

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Emily Marinova
Sent	23/05/2019 6:03:18 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Emily Marinova

This email was sent by Emily Marinova via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Emily provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Emily Marinova at *********.

Markos, Kristina – Monday, 27 May 2019 – 17:36:46

Subject	Community and Indigenous Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Kristina Markos
Sent	27/05/2019 5:36:46 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am a young Australian woman writing to express my extreme objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Kristina Markos White Gums, Northern Territory, 0870, Australia

This email was sent by Kristina Markos via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Kristina provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kristina Markos at *********.

Markovic, Peter - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 10:31:36

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Peter Markovic
Sent	30/05/2019 10:31:36 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Peter Markovic

This email was sent by Peter Markovic via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Peter provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Peter Markovic at *********.

Markovina, Ivan – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 09:51:27

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Ivan Markovina
Sent	25/05/2019 9:51:27 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Ivan Markovina

This email was sent by Ivan Markovina via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Ivan provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ivan Markovina at *********.

Marks, Jacqueline – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:33:03

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jacqueline Marks
Sent	29/05/2019 1:33:03 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jacqueline Marks

This email was sent by Jacqueline Marks via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jacqueline provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jacqueline Marks at *********.

Marks, Jan - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 09:22:16

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Jan Marks
Sent	27/05/2019 9:22:16 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Jan Marks Tantanoola, South Australia, 5280, Australia

This email was sent by Jan Marks via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jan provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jan Marks at *********.

Marks, Jan – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 09:50:13

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Jan Marks
Sent	30/05/2019 9:50:13 AM

I am writing to explore the NT government not to allow Fracking to go ahead. With problems being evident wherever this type of gas exploration has been allowed around the world, there are too many red flags for environmental destruction to occur. The chemicals used are detrimental to the continuing pristine environment of the NT, the risk of poisoning the habitats of NT people, animals and birds is very high. We don't want Origins destructive gas Fracking to be undertaken in NT and indeed, anywhere else in Australia. This practice is detrimental to the environment , wildlife and human habitation. Fracking would destroy Australias tourism industry as the desecration would deter anyone from visiting NT. We don't need the Fracking industry through Origin destroying the natural beauty of NT. Indigenous people have looked after the land with care and they do not need a shortsighted , money motivated government approving such reckless environmental desecration that will occur if Fracking goes ahead. There is too much at stake environmentally, for Origins gas exploration to be allowed to go ahead . No Fracking should be allowed in Australia.

Marlow, Annie - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 17:37:36

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Annie Marlow
Sent	23/05/2019 5:37:36 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

Please, please consider the welfare of indigenous communities and the health of their country as that of all of NT, the impacts on the escalation of CC for the planet & most particularly the legacy of catastrophic weather that we are leaving our future generations. Please do not allow this greedy, mean project to proceed.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin

Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Annie Marlow Berkeley, New South Wales, 2506, Australia

This email was sent by Annie Marlow via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Annie provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Annie Marlow at *********.

Marosszeky, Marti – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 05:28:25

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Marti Marosszeky
Sent	24/05/2019 5:28:25 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Marti Marosszeky Mandalong, New South Wales, 2264, Australia

This email was sent by Marti Marosszeky via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Marti provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Marti Marosszeky at *********.

Marquez, Alonso – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 20:57:30

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Alonso Marquez
Sent	29/05/2019 8:57:30 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to properly assess Origin Energy's EMP short and long term impact on the wellbeing of surrounding communities and the environment.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I concerned about the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater."
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.
- 4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed without a proper comparison between the short term benefits versus the short and long term impact.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Alonso Marquez Palmerston, Australian Capital Territory, 2913, Australia

This email was sent by Alonso Marquez via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Alonso provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Alonso Marquez at *********.

Marrocco, Beth – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:09:57

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Beth Marrocco
Sent	29/05/2019 11:09:57 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Beth Marrocco Upwey, Victoria, 3158, Australia

This email was sent by Beth Marrocco via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Beth provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Beth Marrocco at *********.

Marron, Megan - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 19:52:12

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Megan Marron
Sent	29/05/2019 7:52:12 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Megan Marron

This email was sent by Megan Marron via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Megan provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Megan Marron at *********.

Marsden, Alesoun – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 13:44:13

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Alesoun Marsden
Sent	25/05/2019 1:44:13 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division.

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

The risk of poisoning the acqifer is too great to gamble on and the short term monetary profit does not justify this reckless activity. The potential for lasting and catastrophic environmental damage is not acceptable.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site.

Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Alesoun Marsden Leichhardt, New South Wales, 2040, Australia

This email was sent by Alesoun Marsden via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Alesoun provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Alesoun Marsden at *********.

Marsden, Marilyn - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 18:42:14

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Marilyn Marsden
Sent	28/05/2019 6:42:14 PM

I object most strongly to Origin's fracking in the Northern Territory. The health and general environmental issues should not be ignored. Contamination of water supplies, the people in the vicinity would be devastating and the rights of Indigenous peoples are being largely ignored. I'm extremely concerned as to how well-informed those people have been by all levels of government and those involved with Origin. Did the Indigenous REALLy understand what was to happen to their lives, their land and their environment? Were ALL the dangers around fracking explained in language? I need answers to all this. as does the entire country.

Marsden, Sandra - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 11:31:56

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sandra Marsden
Sent	25/05/2019 11:31:56 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue. No matter where I travel in the world.....New Zealand, Scotland, USA, mainland Australia and Tasmania......I constantly see community banners etc proclaiming NO FRACKING. Why haven't you learnt by the past mistakes and problems that have occurred in areas where fracking has been allowed. You don't need to look far to see disastrous environment al impacts caused by fracking.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land.

The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sandra Marsden Algester, Queensland, 4115, Australia

This email was sent by Sandra Marsden via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Sandra provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sandra Marsden at *********.

Marsh, Phillip – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:06:53

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Phillip Marsh
Sent	29/05/2019 1:06:53 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

This submission was written by others, however I fully endorse them and ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Phillip Marsh Leichhardt, New South Wales, 2040, Australia

This email was sent by Phillip Marsh via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Phillip provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Phillip Marsh at *********.

Marsh, S – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 14:33:39

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	S Marsh
Sent	28/05/2019 2:33:39 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, s marsh Pottsville Beach, New South Wales, 2489, Australia

This email was sent by S Marsh via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however S provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to S Marsh at *********.

Marsh, Shirley - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 14:34:18

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Shirley Marsh
Sent	29/05/2019 2:34:18 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Shirley Marsh Fremantle, Western Australia, 6160, Australia

This email was sent by Shirley Marsh via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Shirley provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Shirley Marsh at *********.

Marsh, Wendy – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 09:11:46

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Wendy Marsh
Sent	29/05/2019 9:11:46 AM

On behalf of both Indiginous Land Custodians and the environment of the Beetaloo Basin and other areas proposed for extensive fracking for gas and oil in the Northern Territory, I strongly request that the N.T. Government reject Origin's Environmental Management Plan on the basis of the following issues:

- 1. The fracking process uses multiple chemicals, some not yet proven safe for use, others known to damage human health and the environment if allowed to leach into under-ground water and surface storage or river systems.
- 2. The arguement for correct closed storage tanks and appropriate disposal of contaminated water is not being complied with. It is well recorded that companies fail to meet compliance or report spills.
- 3. If this test well is approved then it is inevitable that Origin will expand potentially into operating 6000 wells. This is a major threat to our meeting the Climate Action requirements of carbon reduction.
- 4. Where does this water come from and how much will be used if Origin is free to Frack across the N.T.? I understand that the due process of consultation with the traditional owners to protect their millions of years old water supply has not been adequately addressed. Therefore, it is essential that this project be rejected.

Wendy Marsh 44 Armytage Street LOTA QLD 4179

Marshall, Edwina - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 21:33:29

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Edwina Marshall
Sent	23/05/2019 9:33:29 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Edwina Marshall Saint Kilda East, Victoria, 3183, Australia

This email was sent by Edwina Marshall via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Edwina provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Edwina Marshall at *********.

Marshall, Glenn - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 06:42:30

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Glenn Marshall
Sent	30/05/2019 6:42:30 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Glenn Marshall

This email was sent by Glenn Marshall via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Glenn provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Glenn Marshall at *********.

Marshall, Greg - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 13:18:38

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Greg Marshall
Sent	27/05/2019 1:18:38 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Greg Marshall via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Greg provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Greg Marshall at *********.

Marshall, John - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 11:32:04

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	John Marshall
Sent	24/05/2019 11:32:04 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, John Marshall Kolora, Victoria, 3265, Australia

This email was sent by John Marshall via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however John provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to John Marshall at *********.

Marshall, Karen – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 10:22:39

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Karen Marshall
Sent	30/05/2019 10:22:39 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Karen Marshall Alice Springs, Northern Territory, 0870, Australia

This email was sent by Karen Marshall via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Karen provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Karen Marshall at *********.

Marshall, Raelyn – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 16:06:03

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Raelyn Marshall
Sent	25/05/2019 4:06:03 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Raelyn Marshall Bellfield, Victoria, 3081, Australia

This email was sent by Raelyn Marshall via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Raelyn provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Raelyn Marshall at *********.

Marshall, Ruby – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 14:31:04

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Ruby Marshall
Sent	29/05/2019 2:31:04 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Ruby Marshall Carlton North, Victoria, 3054, Australia

This email was sent by Ruby Marshall via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Ruby provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ruby Marshall at *********.

Marshall, Sarah - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 20:22:04

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
-	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Sarah Marshall
Sent	28/05/2019 8:22:04 PM

It would be a climate disaster, destroying country and water. An independent inquiry into fracking in the Northern Territory found Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land, but Origin is pushing ahead

Sarah Marshall ************* WA 6210

Marso, Eve - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 12:08:41

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Eve Marso
Sent	28/05/2019 12:08:41 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Apart from all of the above destruction to our environment, Global Warming symptoms only indicate massive destructions of eco-systems already occurring, and we do NOT need to exacerbate and lend a helping hand to the willful destruction of our planet.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Eve Marso Millgrove, Victoria, 3799, Australia

This email was sent by Eve Marso via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Eve provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Eve Marso at *********.

Marteene, Glenda – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 20:06:16

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Glenda Marteene
Sent	25/05/2019 8:06:16 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Glenda Marteene

This email was sent by Glenda Marteene via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Glenda provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Glenda Marteene at *********.

Martens, John – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 13:17:09

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	John Martens
Sent	25/05/2019 1:17:09 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, John Martens

This email was sent by John Martens via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however John provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to John Martens at *********.

Martin, Bev - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 18:13:50

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Bev Martin
Sent	24/05/2019 6:13:50 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Bev Martin Dunkirk, Victoria, 3630, Australia

This email was sent by Bev Martin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **************, however Bev provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Bev Martin at *********.

Martin, Chrisanya – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 20:53:16

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Chrisanya Martin
Sent	25/05/2019 8:53:16 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Chrisanya Martin Bona Vista, Victoria, 3820, Australia

This email was sent by Chrisanya Martin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Chrisanya provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Chrisanya Martin at *********.

Martin, David - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 08:00:06

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	David Martin
Sent	26/05/2019 8:00:06 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, David Martin Brunswick, Victoria, 3056, Australia

This email was sent by David Martin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however David provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to David Martin at *********.

Martin, Diane - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 11:22:09

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Diane Martin
Sent	29/05/2019 11:22:09 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Diane Martin Safety Bay, Western Australia, 6169, Australia

This email was sent by Diane Martin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Diane provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Diane Martin at *********.

Martin, Fennwell - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 11:15:14

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Fennwell Martin
Sent	24/05/2019 11:15:14 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Fennwell Martin Western Australia, 6443, Australia

This email was sent by Fennwell Martin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Fennwell provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Fennwell Martin at *********.

Martin, Helen – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 20:08:05

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Helen Martin
Sent	29/05/2019 8:08:05 PM

I do not think this project should go ahead as it is a threat to our safe climate future and would support several power stations operating for thirty years. Dangerous chemicals will be used in the fracking process and so far there is no guarantee that they will be adequately tested for health safety before use. The first peoples of the area have expressed strong expression to the development of any onshore shale gas industry on their country. Most if not all exploration permits issued were done without free ,informed and prior consent. what's more, probably the gas is to be exported and will not lessen the cost of gas use by the Australian population. Please do not frack the Northern Territory. Helen Martin 5065

Helen Martin ************* SA 5065

Martin, Helena – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 20:17:38

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Helena Martin
Sent	28/05/2019 8:17:38 PM

Origin is already cutting corners and has no business fracking where they're not wanted. Origin has not received approval but are still pushing ahead with their dirty plans. Traditional owners are opposed to this dirty fracking plans but Origin is using its muscles to ignore everyone in their greedy path. Please do not allow this environmental disaster that's waiting to happen actually happen. It's just a matter of time if Origin is allowed to get their dirty hands on our iconic Northern Territory.

Martin, Jodi – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 23:18:14

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Jodi Martin
Sent	29/05/2019 11:18:14 PM

Fracking in the Northern Territory risks environmental disaster. In particular, the use of open storage of waste water can contaminate local environment and water supplies.

The impact on the climate will also be huge. Leave it in the ground and focus on renewables for a cool future.

Local Aboriginal communities do not want this project to go ahead.

Jodi Martin ************* NSW 2090

Martin, Kim - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 09:52:51

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Kim Martin
Sent	26/05/2019 9:52:51 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Kim Martin Mosman, New South Wales, 2088, Australia

This email was sent by Kim Martin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Kim provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kim Martin at *********.

Martin, Timothy – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 14:36:55

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Timothy Martin
Sent	24/05/2019 2:36:55 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Timothy Martin Goonellabah, New South Wales, 2480, Australia

This email was sent by Timothy Martin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Timothy provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Timothy Martin at *********.

Martinez, Anna - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 19:01:06

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Anna Martinez
Sent	23/05/2019 7:01:06 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Anna Martinez Heathmont, Victoria, 3135, Australia

This email was sent by Anna Martinez via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Anna provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Anna Martinez at *********.

Martinez, Manuel – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 20:10:20

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Manuel Martinez
Sent	28/05/2019 8:10:20 PM

Dear Minister,

I am sure that you are well aware that the overwhelming majority of Aboriginal communities oppose fracking on their land. You are probably also aware that Origin Energy is pushing ahead with their plans to frack the Territory.

Only those energy giants who care not for the environment, or their poison legacy on the land, in the air, or for future generations want to frack.

A large proportion of Australians, myself included, totally oppose this filthy, greedy, chemical laden industry.

The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory stated that, 'Aboriginal people from regional communities who made submissions to the Panel almost universally expressed deep concern about, and strong opposition to, the development of any onshore shale gas industry on their country.' This included communities in the Beetaloo basin where this exploration well will be located. A report from the Jumbunna Institute at UTS, has questioned whether communities have been provided adequate information about the fracking processes, leading to the conclusion that 'based on a review of publicly available information, the report finds that most – if not all – exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of free, prior and informed consent'. In this context it is not appropriate to proceed with the current exploration permit without further consultation.

We all deserve a clean water supply, a clean world free from threats to our health and to leave the plant in a better shape than which it was found. Future generations depend on it.

I urge you to reject the Origin Energy Environment Management Plan.

References.

Aboriginal people and their culture', p 266, The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory, March 2018.

Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the NT, Jumbunna Institute UTS.

manuel martinez

NSW 2208

Martino, Nadia - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 10:42:54

Subject	Please Reconsider Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Nadia Martino
Sent	25/05/2019 10:42:54 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am a concerned Australian citizen and mother writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Nadia Martino Pearsall, Western Australia, 6065, Australia

This email was sent by Nadia Martino via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Nadia provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Nadia Martino at *********.

Martinovich, Kelsey - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 06:58:14

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Kelsey Martinovich
Sent	24/05/2019 6:58:14 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Kelsey Martinovich Eureka, New South Wales, 2480, Australia

This email was sent by Kelsey Martinovich via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Kelsey provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kelsey Martinovich at *********.

Martucci, Louise - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 15:01:06

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Louise Martucci
Sent	27/05/2019 3:01:06 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Louise Martucci Thornbury, Victoria, 3071, Australia

This email was sent by Louise Martucci via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Louise provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Louise Martucci at *********.

Marwick, Thomas - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 20:42:09

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Thomas Marwick
Sent	27/05/2019 8:42:09 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Thomas Marwick Sydney, New South Wales, 2010, Australia

This email was sent by Thomas Marwick via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Thomas provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Thomas Marwick at *********.

Marwick, Tom – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 17:23:45

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Tom Marwick
Sent	29/05/2019 5:23:45 PM

The world already has enough fossil fuels, please respect the first nations

Tom Marwick ************* WA 6101

MASHADO, BRETT - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 13:09:58

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	BRETT MASHADO
Sent	24/05/2019 1:09:58 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, BRETT MASHADO Mount Gambier, South Australia, 5290, Australia

This email was sent by BRETT MASHADO via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however BRETT provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to BRETT MASHADO at *********.

Masima, Tina – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 19:29:50

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Tina Masima
Sent	29/05/2019 7:29:50 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Tina Masima Booyong, New South Wales, 2480, Australia

This email was sent by Tina Masima via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Tina provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Tina Masima at *********.

Mason, Annette - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 10:34:24

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Annette Mason
Sent	30/05/2019 10:34:24 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I am just an ordinary Australian who to be honest, is terrified of what we are doing to our country and what will be left of it for my children and theirs

I've seen how dangerous fracking can be and I'm horrified to learn

that it could start in one of our most beautiful and precious areas of our country...... apart from simply BEGGING you to not do it is all I can really do.......I have no money or political clout behind mejust a love for the amazing flora and fauna we have be blessed to have as a part of the arguably best country on the planet

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the

Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286

- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Annette Mason Stockton, New South Wales, 2295, Australia

This email was sent by Annette Mason via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Annette provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Annette Mason at *********.

Mason, Barb - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 13:32:44

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT and some!
From	Barb Mason
Sent	24/05/2019 1:32:44 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I most strongly oppose ANY of your outlined plans to truck salt and chemical waste from your fracking wells to Queensland to be processed and stored. WE ARE NOT YOUR RUBBISH DUMP!!

Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that we have no permanent disposal solution for. Why would we accept more from other parts of the country?

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators

about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Barb Mason Winfield, Queensland, 4670, Australia

This email was sent by Barb Mason via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Barb provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Barb Mason at *********.

Mason, Barb – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:05:03

Subject	I Object to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Barb Mason
Sent	29/05/2019 11:05:03 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Barb Mason South Kolan, Queensland, 4670, Australia

This email was sent by Barb Mason via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Barb provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Barb Mason at *********.

Mason, Debbie - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 12:09:42

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Debbie Mason
Sent	24/05/2019 12:09:42 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Debbie Mason White Gums, Northern Territory, 0870, Australia

This email was sent by Debbie Mason via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Debbie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Debbie Mason at *********.

Mason, Debbie – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 08:20:47

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Debbie Mason
Sent	29/05/2019 8:20:47 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Debbie Mason Braitling, Northern Territory, 0870, Australia

This email was sent by Debbie Mason via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Debbie provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Debbie Mason at *********.

Mason, Graeme - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 17:15:05

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Graeme Mason
Sent	26/05/2019 5:15:05 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Graeme Mason via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Graeme provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Graeme Mason at *********.

Mason, James - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 08:14:10

Subject	STOP FRACKING
From	James Mason
Sent	30/05/2019 8:14:10 AM

You are well aware of the dangers that fracking causes .. when it comes time for the court case you will be found guilty of crimes against humanity ... STOP NOW .. YOU KNOW YOU MUST ..

James Mason ************* WA 6740

Mason, Janine – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:11:48

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Janine Mason
Sent	29/05/2019 11:11:48 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Janine Mason

This email was sent by Janine Mason via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Janine provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Janine Mason at *********.

Mason, Rick – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 17:36:19

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Rick Mason
Sent	23/05/2019 5:36:19 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Rick Mason Woodforde, South Australia, 5072, Australia

This email was sent by Rick Mason via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Rick provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Rick Mason at *********.

Mason, Ross - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 10:56:52

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Ross Mason
Sent	29/05/2019 10:56:52 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

Fracking wrecks the water table. Avoid it.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and

Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Ross Mason

This email was sent by Ross Mason via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Ross provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ross Mason at *********.

Massa, Jane – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 07:41:18

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Jane Massa
Sent	29/05/2019 7:41:18 AM

Please stop Origin Energy's plans to start fracking and searching for gas. Our ancestors have protected the country for 60000 years and we must support them. We all benefit from protecting our precious land and water. Please listen to our custodians of the land. Please work for everyone not private vested interests.

jane massa ************ NSW 2193

Massey, Pam - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 21:01:51

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Pam Massey
Sent	30/05/2019 9:01:51 PM

- 1. Fracking runs too high a risk of contaminating what keeps us alive. SAFE WATER.
- 2. It is undeniable, as it has already happened. People have become sick. Children especially (do you have any?....)
- 3. Where fracking has already taken place, residents and land owners tell us DON'T DO IT!
- 4. We should listen to those with first hand experience, not be lured in by a pot of gold at the end,.
- 5. No amount of financial gratification can replace safe drinking water & good health.
- 6. Storing this toxic mix in open tanks is TOTALLY IRRESPONSIBLE
- 7. NT government sources say this could mean over 6000 gas wells. The gas industries' peak body, the Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association, has said there are over 200 trillion cubic feet of gas in the Northern Territory, which is the equivalent to 50 power stations operating for thirty years.
- 8.We cannot afford such a climate disaster. Global warming is already happening at an alarming rate If there is one person that IS worth listening to, who is already respected for his great knowledge care of the environment, it is DAVID ATTENBOROUGH
- 9. I am very concerned for our future. Not just in Australia, but globally, as air & water have no boundaries, and will blow & flow around the world.
- 10. Aren't you concerned for the health & future of your children, and their children?????

pam massey *******

WA 6015

Massey, Pam – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 21:18:56

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Pam Massey
Sent	30/05/2019 9:18:56 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

Fracking is a risk not worth taking.

It can and has poison the very thing that keeps us alive.....

SAFE DRINKING WATER.

Where it has taken place already, residents say DON'T DO IT!

Keeping toxic waste in open pits is absolutely INSANE.

The outcome of harvesting this gas = more global pollution - at a time when our climate is already at risk. Globally.

There are no air & water borders. The pollution = climate change AFFECTS EVERYONE, GLOBALLY

No amount of financial gratification will replace good health.

Putting chemicals into the ground is unnatural.

We take take, and do not replace. Worse than that we replace with toxic poisons....

THIS IS NOT SUSTAINABLE

When you wake up to this, and someone close to you is affected, with no safe water and a sick child,

THEN IT WILL BE TOO LATE.....

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Pam Massey Cloverdale, Western Australia, 6105, Australia

This email was sent by Pam Massey via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Pam provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Pam Massey at *********.

Masters, Diane – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:26:25

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Diane Masters
Sent	29/05/2019 11:26:25 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Diane Masters Mount Stuart, Tasmania, 7000, Australia

This email was sent by Diane Masters via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Diane provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Diane Masters at *********.

Masters, Trevor – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 14:26:14

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Trevor Masters
Sent	28/05/2019 2:26:14 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I object to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are:

INCREASED EARTHQUAKE ACTIVITY

In areas around the world there has been significant increases in the frequency and severity of earthquakes where. fracking activity has taken place. To have these quakes with there concomitant cracking of strata in areas where important groundwater reserves occur is irresponsible and morally corrupt.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Trevor Masters Cambrail, South Australia, 5353, Australia

This email was sent by Trevor Masters via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Trevor provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Trevor Masters at *********.

Matear, Marisa – Monday, 27 May 2019 – 18:02:37

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Marisa Matear
Sent	27/05/2019 6:02:37 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Marisa Matear Fitzroy, Victoria, 3065, Australia

This email was sent by Marisa Matear via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Marisa provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Marisa Matear at *********.

Mateer, Alex - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 14:20:06

Subject	say no to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Alex Mateer
Sent	26/05/2019 2:20:06 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Alex Mateer Glen Davis, New South Wales, 2846, Australia

This email was sent by Alex Mateer via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Alex provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Alex Mateer at *********.

Mateljan, Julia – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 10:44:08

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Julia Mateljan
Sent	29/05/2019 10:44:08 AM

We are living in a country that is challenged, almost continuously in certain regions, by drought.

Simply, safe clean water is essential for all life and any natural or human created interference with this must be considered totally unsatisfactory.

I have attended many informative open meetings that have shown, in all events, that fracking is a risk to safe clean water and the use of renewable energies, namely, solar and wind, are the safer alternative.

Therefore, as communities and the country on the broad perspective non-conventional fracking with its environmentally damaging chemicals and extreme use of water should not be permitted.

Julia Mateljan ************ WA 6041

Mathas, Anne – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 22:58:45

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Anne Mathas
Sent	24/05/2019 10:58:45 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Anne Mathas

This email was sent by Anne Mathas via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Anne provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Anne Mathas at *********.

Mather, Kyrina – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:55:20

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Kyrina Mather
Sent	29/05/2019 3:55:20 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Kyrina Mather Laceys Creek, Queensland, 4521, Australia

This email was sent by Kyrina Mather via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Kyrina provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kyrina Mather at *********.

Mather, Sylvia – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:04:28

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sylvia Mather
Sent	29/05/2019 3:04:28 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sylvia Mather Milsons Point, New South Wales, 2061, Australia

This email was sent by Sylvia Mather via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Sylvia provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sylvia Mather at *********.

Mathers, Audrey - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 11:18:34

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Audrey Mathers
Sent	25/05/2019 11:18:34 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Audrey Mathers

This email was sent by Audrey Mathers via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Audrey provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Audrey Mathers at *********.

Mathew, Linda - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 15:11:12

Subject	My Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Linda Mathew
Sent	27/05/2019 3:11:12 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Linda Mathew Booyong, New South Wales, 2480, Australia

This email was sent by Linda Mathew via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Linda provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Linda Mathew at *********.

Mathew, Linda - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 15:13:59

Subject	My Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Linda Mathew
Sent	27/05/2019 3:13:59 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Linda Mathew East Lismore, New South Wales, 2480, Australia

This email was sent by Linda Mathew via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Linda provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Linda Mathew at *********.

Mathew, Ruth - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 18:10:55

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Ruth Mathew
Sent	26/05/2019 6:10:55 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Ruth Mathew Woodstock West, Victoria, 3463, Australia

This email was sent by Ruth Mathew via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Ruth provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ruth Mathew at *********.

Mathews, Amy - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 12:25:02

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Amy Mathews
Sent	29/05/2019 12:25:02 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Amy Mathews Croydon, Victoria, 3136, Australia

This email was sent by Amy Mathews via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Amy provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Amy Mathews at *********.

Mathison, Laura – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 11:35:47

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Laura Mathison
Sent	24/05/2019 11:35:47 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Laura Mathison Fairlight, New South Wales, 2094, Australia

This email was sent by Laura Mathison via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Laura provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Laura Mathison at *********.

Mathison, Nicole – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:58:59

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Nicole Mathison
Sent	29/05/2019 12:58:59 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Nicole Mathison Burpengary, Queensland, 4505, Australia

This email was sent by Nicole Mathison via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Nicole provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Nicole Mathison at *********.

Matsubara, Josh – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:12:12

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Josh Matsubara
Sent	29/05/2019 11:12:12 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Josh Matsubara

This email was sent by Josh Matsubara via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Josh provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Josh Matsubara at *********.

Matterson, Holly - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 05:57:29

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Holly Matterson
Sent	24/05/2019 5:57:29 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Holly Matterson Bilgola Plateau, New South Wales, 2107, Australia

This email was sent by Holly Matterson via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Holly provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Holly Matterson at *********.

Matthes, Maria - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 13:08:34

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Maria Matthes
Sent	25/05/2019 1:08:34 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

GROUNDWATER CONTAMINATION

The potential for GROUNDWATER contamination is a risk not worth taking. Once groundwater is contaminated, depending on the degree of contamination, it may never be reversible. Irreversible impacts must be avoided.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Maria Matthes via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Maria provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Maria Matthes at *********.

Matthews, Peter - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 18:10:39

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Peter Matthews
Sent	26/05/2019 6:10:39 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Peter Matthews St Kilda, Victoria, 3182, Australia

This email was sent by Peter Matthews via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Peter provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Peter Matthews at *********.

Matthews, Rachel - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 07:33:36

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Rachel Matthews
Sent	26/05/2019 7:33:36 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I wish to let you know my concern about the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Rachel Matthews Morningside, Queensland, 4170, Australia

This email was sent by Rachel Matthews via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Rachel provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Rachel Matthews at *********.

Mattia, Lou – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 09:21:28

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Lou De Mattia
Sent	25/05/2019 9:21:28 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Lou De Mattia Darwin DC, Northern Territory, 0820, Australia

This email was sent by Lou De Mattia via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Lou provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lou De Mattia at **********.

Mattingly, Karen – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:20:29

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Karen Mattingly
Sent	29/05/2019 12:20:29 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Karen Mattingly

This email was sent by Karen Mattingly via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Karen provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Karen Mattingly at *********.

Mavkau, Jack - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 16:38:13

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Jack Mavkau
Sent	27/05/2019 4:38:13 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Jack Mavkau Ludlow, Western Australia, 6280, Australia

This email was sent by Jack Mavkau via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jack provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jack Mavkau at *********.

Maxwell, Glenda – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 18:47:28

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Glenda Maxwell
Sent	29/05/2019 6:47:28 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to completely reject Origin Energy's EMP in order to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory.

I am opposed to ANY further energy solutions that add to carbon emissions and worsen the current climate crisis.

All Governments need to take this issue very seriously as we have been warned last year in a report by the IPCC that we are on the edge of climate disaster.

Please do NOT approve Any more gas or coal exploration or mining projects. Below are more specific objections to this project:-

I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the

Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286

- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Glenda Maxwell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Glenda provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Glenda Maxwell at *********.

May, Brigid – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 23:40:21

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Brigid May
Sent	29/05/2019 11:40:21 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Brigid May Victoria Park, Western Australia, 6100, Australia

This email was sent by Brigid May via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Brigid provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Brigid May at *********.

May, Stacey – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:14:30

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Stacey May
Sent	29/05/2019 11:14:30 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Stacey May Caulfield, Victoria, 3162, Australia

This email was sent by Stacey May via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Stacey provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Stacey May at *********.

May, Wendy - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 12:08:23

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Wendy May
Sent	28/05/2019 12:08:23 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

F

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Wendy May Howard Springs, Northern Territory, 0835, Australia

This email was sent by Wendy May via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Wendy provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Wendy May at *********.

Maybir, Alicia – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 17:35:55

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Alicia Maybir
Sent	29/05/2019 5:35:55 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Alicia Maybir Parramatta Park, Queensland, 4870, Australia

This email was sent by Alicia Maybir via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Alicia provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Alicia Maybir at *********.

Maybury, Angela – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:32:31

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Angela Maybury
Sent	29/05/2019 1:32:31 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Angela Maybury Coolah, New South Wales, 2843, Australia

This email was sent by Angela Maybury via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Angela provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Angela Maybury at *********.

Maybury, Jessica - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 09:09:34

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jessica Maybury
Sent	30/05/2019 9:09:34 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

'When the last tree is cut down, the last fish eaten, and the last stream poisoned, you will realize that you cannot eat money'
Native American saying

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and

Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Jessica Maybury via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jessica provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jessica Maybury at *********.

Mayer, Janet - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 19:49:40

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Janet Mayer
Sent	28/05/2019 7:49:40 PM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to the left to guide your submission.

Janet Mayer ************* NSW 2534

Maynard, Craig - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 17:33:24

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Craig Maynard
Sent	23/05/2019 5:33:24 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Craig Maynard *********** Brodies Plains, New South Wales, 2360, Australia

This email was sent by Craig Maynard via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Craig provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Craig Maynard at *********.

Maynard, Tiana – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 20:10:48

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Tiana Maynard
Sent	29/05/2019 8:10:48 PM

To whom it may concern

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

I write this submission for the outright rejection of Origin Energy's EMP for the following reasons:

-Irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.

-Failure of Origin to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

- The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks.
- -Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Tiana Maynard Tomerong, New South Wales, 2540, Australia

REPLY-TO field.

This email was sent by Tiana Maynard via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Tiana provided an email address (**********) which we included in the

Please reply to Tiana Maynard at *********.

Mayo, Annie – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 18:56:14

Subject	the2mayos@gmail.com
From	Annie Mayo
Sent	28/05/2019 6:56:14 PM

I'm a white Australian and I'm heartily sick of witnessing Australian Federal, State and Territory govenments riding roughshod over Aboriginal people, their lands, their culture and their wishes. It's appalling behaviour that the NT Government is even considering Origin's fracking plans. They're an environmental disaster plan in the making with their poisonous open ponds, water pollution and wholescale disturbance of the land, both above and deep below. Not only will they destroy the land but they will further fragment the aboriginal people living there. Or perhaps that's what you really want? Shame on you NT Government. You're supposed to be caring for the people of your land not destroying them! Show some guts and say no to Origin! Annie Mayo Larnook NSW.

Mayrox, Ruth – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 17:39:03

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Ruth Mayrox
Sent	23/05/2019 5:39:03 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Ruth Mayrox

This email was sent by Ruth Mayrox via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Ruth provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ruth Mayrox at *********.

Mazsa, Judy - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 19:24:17

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Judy Mazsa
Sent	23/05/2019 7:24:17 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Judy Mazsa Figtree, New South Wales, 2525, Australia

This email was sent by Judy Mazsa via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Judy provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Judy Mazsa at *********.

Mazsa, Judy - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 11:11:54

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Judy Mazsa
Sent	24/05/2019 11:11:54 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Judy Mazsa Figtree, New South Wales, 2525, Australia

This email was sent by Judy Mazsa via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Judy provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Judy Mazsa at *********.

Mcanally, Jacqueline – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 08:56:15

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jacqueline Mcanally
Sent	25/05/2019 8:56:15 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue. Although this is a prepared email, I would like you to know that these are my thoughts as well - I just can't state them in such clarity as this does.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jacqueline McAnally 1395 Woodlands Rd Blenheim 4341

This email was sent by Jacqueline McAnally via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jacqueline provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jacqueline McAnally at *********.

Mcauliffe, Jennifer – Monday, 27 May 2019 – 21:41:39

Subject	Letter of Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory
From	Jennifer Mcauliffe
Sent	27/05/2019 9:41:39 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory. As a citizen of Australia, a future visitor of the Northern Territory and an individual who has learnt time and time again of the destruction and harm these practices have on the environment, vital resources we and other wildlife need for life, water, healthy ecosystems and oceans, i emplore you not to allow this or any other fracking to go ahead.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Jennifer McAuliffe Belgrave Heights, Victoria, 3160, Australia

This email was sent by Jennifer McAuliffe via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jennifer provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jennifer McAuliffe at *********.

Mcavoy, Ben - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 21:49:15

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Ben Mcavoy
Sent	27/05/2019 9:49:15 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Ben an Mcavoy Kingsley, Western Australia, 6026, Australia

This email was sent by Ben Mcavoy via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **************, however Ben provided an email address (***********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ben Mcavoy at *********.

Mccabe, April – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 12:11:07

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	April Mccabe
Sent	30/05/2019 12:11:07 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, April McCabe Albany Creek, Queensland, 4035, Australia

This email was sent by April McCabe via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however April provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to April McCabe at *********.

Mccabe, Charlotte – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 20:00:55

Subject	mccabecharlotte@gmail.com
From	Charlotte Mccabe
Sent	29/05/2019 8:00:55 PM

Aboriginal communities need support from the Territory and federal government- not a destructive industry that will poison the water and the country. We urgently needs to draw down our carbon, opening new fossil fuel deposits is an act of willing climate damage that we can not afford. Origin energy has huge billboards in some parts of the country celebrating their solar power- once the cities find out what else they are doing behind the scenes in the community that have the least political power- there will be a huge divestment movement.

sincerely, charlotte mccabe

Mccabe, Grace - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 12:11:28

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Grace Mccabe
Sent	30/05/2019 12:11:28 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Grace McCabe Albany Creek, Queensland, 4035, Australia

This email was sent by Grace McCabe via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Grace provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Grace McCabe at *********.

Mccabe, Jake - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 14:14:58

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jake Mccabe
Sent	25/05/2019 2:14:58 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jake McCabe

This email was sent by Jake McCabe via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jake provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jake McCabe at **********.

Mccabe, Mark - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 13:11:12

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Mark Mccabe
Sent	30/05/2019 1:11:12 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Mark McCabe via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Mark provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Mark McCabe at *********.

Mccahon, Olive - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 12:23:14

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Olive Mccahon
Sent	29/05/2019 12:23:14 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), This submission in every way corresponds to my strong concerns in this matter. Climate change and environmental degradation are the single most important challenge facing Australia. Unless this is addressed all other issues in the future will be unsustainable Olive McCahon

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Olive McCahon McKinnon, Victoria, 3204, Australia

This email was sent by Olive McCahon via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Olive provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Olive McCahon at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Mccalden, Patricia – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:28:53

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Patricia Mccalden
Sent	29/05/2019 11:28:53 AM

I wish to make clear a strong objection to Origin's plan to begin fracking in the N.T. As a resident of Gloucester which recently faced fracking from AGL, I have studied the risks of pollution to water underground, and to the environment from the storage of produced water above ground. Huge quantities of salt are also produced and this is well known to lay country waste.

The Scientific Inquiry has clearly stated the dangers.

The Aboriginal Communities should not be subjected to the risks to their health and to their land that fracking would cause.

Please consider people and water, put them first and do not allow Origin permission to proceed with their exploration well.

Patricia McCalden ************* NSW 2422

Mccallum, Ian - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 21:38:24

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	lan Mccallum
Sent	24/05/2019 9:38:24 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP, to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities ensuring our shared future can be shielded from the effects of climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Ian McCallum

This email was sent by Ian McCallum via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Ian provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ian McCallum at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Mccallum, Ian - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 22:25:50

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	lan Mccallum
Sent	28/05/2019 10:25:50 PM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to the left to guide your submission.

Ian McCallum ************* VIC 3792

Mccann, Tina – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:17:27

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Tina Mccann
Sent	29/05/2019 12:17:27 PM

To Whom It May Concern,

I object to Origin fracking in the NT. The fracking processes uses dangerous chemicals that represent a threat to human health, the natural environment and water sources and does not consider the wishes of the traditional land owners.

Regards,

Tina McCann Burleigh Heads QLD 4220

Tina McCann ************* NSW 2830

McCaroon, Geralyn - Thursday, 30 May 2019

Subject	Submission on Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	McCaroon, Geralyn
Sent	Thursday, 30 May 2019

See Next page

Submission on Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

This submission has been prepared in order to alert the Northern Territory government of the wide range of environmental health concerns and risks associated with the above-proposed programme.

I refer particularly to the extensive review of the literature entitled, The Implications for Human Health and Wellbeing of Expanded Gas Mining in Australia, prepared by Doctors for the Environment Australia. (Available at https://www.dea.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/DEA-Oil-and-Gas-final-28-11-18.pdf). I urge the Committee to carefully examine this document as an integral part of my submission, and recognise the increasingly substantial evidence of multiple risks posed by gas and oil developments to human health:

In summary, the review found growing evidence of direct health impacts as well as a clear potential for indirect impacts of gas and oil mining on essential environmental determinants of health. These concerns include risks to a stable climate, air quality, water quality, water security, food security, community cohesion and, in some locations, geological stability. The cumulative impacts of these industries on the wider requirements for good health and wellbeing are extremely concerning.

Chapter 5 presents the latest evidence regarding the use of a large number of added and naturally occurring chemicals mobilised during gas mining activities, particularly where hydraulic fracturing will be applied hundreds to thousands of times, placing precious and scarce water resources required by nearby communities and farming activities at serious risk.

My review of the documentation produced to support **Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2** raises concerns that Origin's Chemical Risk Assessment for the Beetaloo 2019 Campaign is inadequate. Its lack of rigour exposes the human population, flora, fauna and aquatic life forms to significant risks to health and wellbeing. There is little to no consideration of cumulative impacts.

Based on many significant omissions of information and serious unresolved risks to health and the environment from the proposed activities, the proposal should be rejected.

The concerns are:

1. Risks to groundwater from subsurface activities:

I am concerned and Origin acknowledges, that there are significant chemical contamination risks to groundwater from subsurface activities through a number of realistic situations.

a. Unacceptable risk of potential aquifer contamination avenues:

Changes in aquifer quality from subsurface (drilling and stimulation) activities impacting a receptor (groundwater user or GDE).

- Contamination from drilling fluids. Drilling fluids used to drill through the Cambrian Limestone Aquifer (CLA) are water-based with clay inhibition in the form of KCl. This may result in temporary elevated levels of chlorides in the CLA immediately adjacent to the well bore during the drilling of the top hole section of the well.
- Cross flow of formation through inappropriate well barrier design.
- Crossflow through fracture growth into aquifer from stimulation activities allowing the migration of fluid and gas.
- Stimulation activity induces seismic activity that enables cross formational flow between shallow aquifers.
- Migration via fractures intersecting with offset wells or intersecting an existing geohazard.
- Leakage of either flowback, produced water, or hydrocarbons (liquid and gaseous) from suspended or abandoned wells.

Given that the number of currently envisaged wells drilled in the Beetaloo Basin within this project could reach 600 with multiple hydraulic fracturing activities over a 20-40 year period, there is a significantly high likelihood of aquifer contamination via these avenues over time.

b. Multiple potentially toxic chemicals being introduced into the environment without adequate human health risk assessment

Doctors for the Environment Australia has documented significant concerns regarding the potential toxicities of the chemical additives used in hydraulic fracturing activities and the lack of adequate procedures to assess the risks to health and the environment. https://www.dea.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/DEA-Oil-and-Gas-final-28-11-18.pdf
I am particularly concerned with the repeated lack of Tier 2 Assessments of the introduction of multiple chemicals of concern into the environment within Origin's AECOM paper. (See appendix 1). Only one Tier 2 Assessment was performed, namely of one single chemical, namely hydrotreated light petroleum distillate. This assessment was only undertaken with regard to the protection of workers.

Rather than undertaking proper localised assessments of the wide range of introduced chemicals, Origin frequently simply states that "management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan" – without any consideration of human exposures through various environmental pathways at the various stages of activity.

Origin's proposal also frequently refers to generalised statements made by the National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS); suggesting that there are low to no risks across all chemicals used.

However, this does not accurately reflect the highly limited scope of NICNAS's work in this area. It is vital to recognise that to date, NICNAS has only examined

above-ground (surface) handling of 113 chemicals, and largely confined its attention to risks to the workforce. To date NICNAS **has not** examined impacts of drilling and hydraulic fracturing chemicals on deeper groundwater systems, such as confined aquifers, which may offer opportunities for human exposure through drinking water and via irrigation and uptake into food crops.

Despite the call by the WHO and other researchers to assess the cumulative load of chemicals used in real life operations, NICNAS did not assess mixtures of drilling or hydraulic fracturing chemicals; their investigations were confined to assessment of individual active ingredients.

Importantly, research has increasingly revealed the long-term hidden health effects associated with endocrine disrupting chemicals. These chemicals are particularly concerning because they can exert reproductive and metabolic effects on humans at extremely very low concentrations. Wastewater from gas production is known to contain significant endocrine disrupting activities. No mention of this class of chemicals is made in the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2 documentation.

NICNAS has acknowledged that there is a lack of human or environmental toxicological data for many of the products in use.

c. Retention and unknown fate of chemical additives in the subsurface with unknown long term consequences

Origin also acknowledges that the volume of flow back recovered from the activity, and therefore considered under the waste management plan, is expected to vary from 20 to 80% of the injected fluid.

There should be concern that little is known about the fate and movement of chemicals within the subsurface receiving environment, which will conversely be 20% to 80% of the injected fluid mixtures. The proposed subsurface activities create the potential for migration into and through aquifers and contamination of the water supply of humans and other life forms at a distance from the site.

d. Understanding of hydrogeology is inadequate

There is inadequate understanding of the hydrogeology of the Northern Territory: the level of detailed mapping of aquifers and faults at both regional level and in the area of the proposed project which are necessary do not exist. The level of detail necessary to completely understand the interconnections between groundwater and surface water does not exist. What is certain is that local communities such as Daly Waters, Elliot, Newcastle Waters and Larrimah as well as the pastoral industry whose water is supplied from very porous and fractured limestone aquifers are very vulnerable. Any contamination (from drilling, fracking or surface contamination) has the potential to spread rapidly and widely.

 Surface spills and accidents (whether on site or on the highways) will inevitably happen. By their nature accidents are not deliberate or planned.

- The possibility, indeed probability is that drilling muds and fluids (including the listed toxic biocides, surfactants, flocculents etc) will be lost while drilling through limestone or sandstone aquifers, and/or unrecognised and ancient underground river beds. It is likely that massive quantities of lost circulation materials will be then pumped into the same porous formation in order to plug the hole and gain control the well.
- In addition to up to 80% of chemicals introduced through stimulation of the well not be recovered from the formation.

Water is of absolute importance to every life form in the Northern Territory. It must not be put at risk. Monitoring the level of contamination after the fact is not enough.

2. Wastewater management is not safe or acceptable

The Wastewater Management Plan proposes forceful evaporation of wastewater, which will cause mobilisation of dangerous volatile organic compounds and radon from flow back into the atmosphere. Furthermore the Plan proposes interstate shipping to Queensland of concentrated residues considered too toxic to bury or otherwise dispose of in the Northern Territory. Queenslanders should not be exposed to these unassessed risks.

Additionally this "waste management plan" is in direct contravention of the government's commitment to institute in full all 135 recommendations of the Pepper Inquiry, including critically the containment of toxic wastewater from the fracking process in sealed tanks.

3. Radon

Origin acknowledges that gas analysis indicates that the observed radon level is high at 225 Bq/m³ a dose above the 1mSv/m³ could occur if a person was continuously exposed to raw gas. Radon is a recognized cause of lung cancer. However the risk from radon is dismissed and the author states: "The risk can be disregarded in well-ventilated areas, as radon disperses quickly and has a short half-life." This statement appears to demonstrate a failure of understanding of the enduring radioactive legacy created by mobilizing Radon into the environment. Radon has a half-life of less than 4 days but with radioactive progeny lasting more than two decades and ending in stable lead 206 (which is also toxic to human health).

Radioactive decay series

Radon 222 (1/2 life 3.8 days), Radioactive Polonium 218 (3 minutes), Radioactive Lead 214 (27 minutes), Radioactive Bismuth 214 (20 minutes), Radioactive Polonium 214 (180microseconds), Radioactive Lead 210 (22 years), Radioactive Bismuth 210 (5 days), Radioactive Polonium 210 (138 days), Stable Lead 206.

Any of these short or long half-life 222Rn progeny may be inhaled and ingested at any time, where they would continue the decay series inside the human body. Dispersion in the atmosphere may put at risk people at a distance from the

operations, because along with particulate matter the radioactive progeny of radon may be deposited on roofs that serve as the collecting surfaces for domestic rainwater tanks. Elevated levels of lead 210 and Polonium 210 have been found in domestic rainwater tanks in Queensland gasfields.

Radon is the immediate decay product of Radium 226, which is also exhumed with co-produced water, and with a half-life of 1600 years Radium 226 will for endless generations emanate 222Radon gas into the atmosphere. Radon gas has consequences for the environment (and everyone living in that environment). Any activity such as gas extraction that mobilises Radium and Radon into the environment will have profound cumulative consequences into perpetuity.

4. No air or noise monitoring proposed

Despite the recognized serious impacts of air toxins on human health and the ever-increasing body of peer reviewed scientific literature showing adverse human health impacts with gas development (see https://www.dea.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/DEA-Oil-and-Gas-final-28-11-18.pdf). Despite this, there are are no air monitoring planned either at local or regional level.

Origins wide ranging activities including earthmoving, drilling, fracking, vaporizing flow back, venting, flaring, burning diesel and use of respirable silica will adversely impact air quality (including particulate matter, nitrogen oxides, volatile organic compounds including hydrocarbons /PAH) at local level and possibly at regional level. Particulate air pollution can travel large distances.

No noise monitoring is proposed. Measurement criteria in both instances (air and noise) relate to "valid" complaints regarding dust/air quality and noise from Origin's activities.

It is important to note that the Kyalla well is the first of many proposed by Origin and others companies. Thus it is absolutely essential for the well being of the community as well as Australian native animals and birds that noise be actively and constantly monitored among those who are susceptible to adverse impacts from both noise and air pollution. Cumulative impacts must be strongly recognized and acted upon.

5. Greenhouse Gas emissions

The dangers of climate change are detailed in DEA's recent review of the implications of gas mining to human health and wellbeing (see Chapter 4).

Within this proposal, it is important to recognise that all greenhouse gas emissions from Origin's proposed activities are in addition to Australia's current greenhouse gas inventory. In order to protect human health and wellbeing, we must be in an active process of drastically cut greenhouse gas emissions within ten years.

The management plans for methane emissions during drilling, stimulation, well testing and ongoing well operations/ suspension are effectively no different to Origin's **theoretical** practice in Queensland. Methane emissions continue in status quo during these activities and during flowback activities.

Reduced Emission completion does not mean that they capture and retain the gas, merely that they separate it and then flare it (without monitoring air quality). Origin also admitted that "venting will only be used where the capture or flaring is not possible" – without providing details of circumstances where this is likely to occur.

Summary

To summarise, the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2 does not adequately address the chemical risks to ground water in the Beetaloo Basin region. No adequate human health assessment has been made by either NICNAS or by Origin of the fundamental risks of subsurface injection of these large volumes of drilling and fracking chemicals which are uncontrolled and unaccounted for in the receiving environment.

It is also appropriate to urge the consideration of the whole range of risks of petroleum mining on the local communities, as well as the urgent need to reduce fugitive methane and carbon dioxide emissions to avoid catastrophic climate change, as part and parcel of the decision making process.

Personal submission of Dr Geralyn McCarron, 30 May 2019

(Member of Doctors for the Environment Australia).

Appendix 1

A selection of patently toxic chemicals to be used include:

• DCA-11001

Diethanolamine

Animal studies, showed renal and liver cancers, and it was considered likely that testicular degeneration in a 90-day drinking water study was a direct toxic effect of diethanolamine.

Origin note that: "It is reported that the fatal oral dose of the chemical is 20g in humans (HSDB)."

5,000 litres would be stored on site.

• BE-9 Biocide

Tributyl tetradecyl phosphonium chloride

It is classified as very toxic material, corrosive material.

Hazardous Decomposition products

Chlorine. Phosphorus acids. Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide.

In animal studies after inhalation 6/10 animals were dead within 3days with anogenital

straining, abdominal distension and on autopsy red coloured lungs, distension stomach/intestine/ mottled liver.

In Canada BE-9 biocide is a new active ingredient and the applicant applied for a study waver for toxicokinetic, reproductive toxicity, carcinogenicity and chronic toxicity data. The Canadian authorities did not accept the applicant's waiver rationale regarding toxicokinetic data and considers that

"Therefore, the database does not contain the standard required studies for assessing potential toxicity to infants and children."

BE-9 is classified R51/53 Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

• DCA-13003

Chlorous acid, sodium salt

Animals studies have shown haemotoxicity.

It is a severe skin irritant, is toxic if swallowed and may cause damage to the thyroid Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas

H400 - Very toxic to aquatic life

H412 - Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

• DCA-19001

Disodium octaborate tetrahydrate

May cause reproductive system damage.

May cause embryo and fetus toxicity

• DCA-13002

Sodium persulfate

Hazardous decomposition products: Oxides of sulfur. Sulfuric acid.

Capable of producing skin and respiratory sensitisation

• DCA-17001

(Diethylene glycol, Cinnamaldehyde, Amine oxides, cocoalkyldimethyl, Methanol, Benzaldehyde, Sodium iodide)

Based on the collective toxicity of product ingredients, the mixture should be considered to cause the following:

May cause skin irritation. May cause an allergic skin reaction.

May be fatal or cause blindness if swallowed. May cause central nervous system depression including headache, dizziness, drowsiness, muscular weakness,

incoordination, slowed reaction time, fatigue blurred vision, slurred speech, giddiness, tremors and convulsions. May cause liver and kidney damage.

May cause respiratory irritation, central nervous system depression including headache, dizziness, drowsiness, incoordination, slowed reaction time, slurred speech, giddiness and unconsciousness.

Causes severe eye irritation which may damage tissue.

Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause eye, blood, lung, liver, kidney, heart, central nervous system and spleen damage.

DCA-19002

Ulexite, Ethylene glycol, Crystalline silica, quartz

Ethylene Glycol is listed as a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm

In animal studies it is consistently associated with adverse effects on the kidney such as crystal nephropathy.

Ulexite: Toxic to reproduction. May impair fertility. May cause harm to the unborn child. Respirable silica causes progressive disabling lung disease (Silicosis), lung cancer, kidney disease, and autoimmune diseases such as scleroderma.

• <u>DCA-30001</u>

Sodium polyacrylate, Sodium bisulfite

The chemicals in this group will liberate toxic gas when in contact with acid and therefore may cause effects in individuals with a high acid content in the stomach. A small percentage of the population (up to $1\,\%$) are sensitive to sulfites Those who have asthma are most at risk to sulfite sensitivity and this sensitivity can cause a wide range of allergic reactions ranging from mild to severe.

DCA-32002

Alcohols, C6-C12, ethoxylated propoxylated, Alcohols, C10-C16, ethoxylated propoxylated

H400 - Very toxic to aquatic life

H410 - Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

• ALDACIDE G

Glutaraldehyde

In animal studies glutaradehyde showed a statistically significant increase in the incidence of LGLL (large granular cell lymphatic leukaemia)

Occupational exposure to glutaraldehyde has resulted in occupational asthma, significant skin, respiratory system and eye irritation, as well as skin sensitisation in some cases

It poses a moderate hazard to the aquatic environment.

• BARACOR 100

Morpholine process residues, Methanol, Nitrilotriacetic acid, trisodium salt monohydrate

Severe acute and chronic toxicity.

Animal studies show kidney damage, haematuria, hydronephrosis and tumours of the urinary and haematopoietic system

Aquatic hazard 3 H412 Harmful to aquatic life with long-lasting effects

• CON-DET

Amides, coco, N,N-bis (hydroxyethyl), Benzenesulfonic acid, dimethyl-, sodium salt, Isopropanol, Potassium pyrophosphate, Potassium hydroxide

Sodium nitrite, Hexamethylenetetramine chloroallyl chloride

H290 - May be corrosive to metals

H225 - Highly flammable liquid and vapor

Hazardous decomposition products

Toxic if swallowed, Toxic in contact with skin, May cause respiratory irritation, drowsiness or dizziness. May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

H400 - Very toxic to aquatic life

H412 - Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

SAPP

Sodium acid pyrophosphate

Particulate inhalation may lead to pulmonary fibrosis, chronic bronchitis, emphysema

and bronchial asthma. Dermatitis and asthma may result from short contact periods.

• EZ MUD DP OR EZ MUD liquid

Hydrotreated light petroleum distillate ethoxylated alcohol (proprietary (1-5%)

H400 - Very toxic to aquatic life

H412 - Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

BARDEFOAM HP

Polyether polyol

Hazardous Decomposition Products

Aldehydes. Ketones. Organic acid vapors. Hydrocarbons. Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

• Potassium Chloride

In cases of increased exposure to high levels of potassium significant health effects in people with kidney disease or other conditions, such as heart disease may result.

Hazardous decomposition products

Chlorine, oxides of potassium

Not readily degradable in environment, except by dilution

Causes dehydration following ingestion and /or changes in aquatic salinity levels which may have deleterious effects on various aquatic, terrestrial or avian species.

• QUIK-FREE

Hazardous Decomposition Products

Oxides of sulfur. Acrolein. Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

• Sodium hydroxide

Sodium hydroxide is a corrosive irritant to skin, eyes and mucous membranes.

Obstructive airway disease has been reported following chronic occupational exposure to sodium hydroxide mist

Reacts violently with acids. Reacts exothermically on dilution with water.

Possibility of hazardous reactions:

Reacts with ammonium salts, evolving ammonia gas

NaOH is a strong alkali, so it's dissolution in water may locally raise the pH of the affected environment. The dissolution reaction is also strongly exothermic.

Glyoxal (Ethanedial)

Hazardous for human health

Mutagenic, skin and eye irritant and skin sensitiser

If released to soil, glyoxal is expected to have very high mobility

Mccarron, Chris – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 19:52:18

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Chris Mccarron
Sent	29/05/2019 7:52:18 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Chris McCarron via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Chris provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Chris McCarron at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Mccarthy, Janet - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 16:29:40

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Janet Mccarthy
Sent	28/05/2019 4:29:40 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Janet Mccarthy via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Janet provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Janet Mccarthy at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Mccarthy, Kevin - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 22:52:58

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Kevin Mccarthy
Sent	30/05/2019 10:52:58 PM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

Mccarthy, Milly – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 18:14:03

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Milly Mccarthy
Sent	30/05/2019 6:14:03 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Milly Mccarthy Canterbury, Victoria, 3126, Australia

This email was sent by Milly Mccarthy via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Milly provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Milly Mccarthy at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Mccarthy, Sue - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 10:20:10

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sue Mccarthy
Sent	24/05/2019 10:20:10 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sue McCarthy Belfield, New South Wales, 2191, Australia

This email was sent by Sue McCarthy via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Sue provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sue McCarthy at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Mccarthy, Suzanne - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 08:27:12

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Suzanne Mccarthy
Sent	30/05/2019 8:27:12 AM

Evidence shows the process of fracking for natural gas has the potential to damage aquafers and cause severe environmental problems due to the harmful chemicals released in the process. For this reason this proposal to permit up to 6000 gas wells in the Northern Territory is an unacceptable risk to our future and cannot be condoned. Additionally it appears informed consent has not been obtained from the Aboriginal communities who would be most affected should this disastrous plan be approved, this is of great concern at this time of our history when the reconciliation process is underway.

I urge you to reject Origin's disastrous proposal.

Mcclelland, Jan – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 10:56:53

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Jan Mcclelland
Sent	29/05/2019 10:56:53 AM

I am opposed to fracking for gas in the Territory. I believe that the disturbance to water sources, destruction of the ecology and poor compliance of big companies to respect the environment is very real. I don't see that short term gains will be in the long term interests of the planet, environment and human existence. I implore you not to allow these mining ventures to go ahead. They are a threat to our climate and life as we know it.

Jan McClelland ************ SA 5035

Mccluggage, Robyn – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:40:34

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Robyn Mccluggage
Sent	29/05/2019 1:40:34 PM

Please respect the Traditional Owners Land and honour the respectful way they have managed the environment. Fracking is proven to be devastating and destructive, Please do not allow Origin or any other organization to decimate this land and water resource. There are other means of supplying energy in a satisfactory way.

Mccoll, Joan - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 12:13:25

Subject	Horror at Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Joan Mccoll
Sent	29/05/2019 12:13:25 PM

To the people who can do something about it at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Fierce Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

I write this submission on behalf of my Yolngu friends to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to totally and irrevocably reject Origin Energy's EMP but to make evry endeavour to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a reonciled friend of yolngu people, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. You guys now this is wrong on so many levels and no amount of money will ever ring back the land once it has been destroyed by fracking. You don't need me or anyone lese telling you have bad this idea is. You have seen the movies like I have.

iThe effect on impacted communities will ony add to the layers of trauma that have been put on them since Eropean settlement.

A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) disgustingly found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5].

Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

Plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach because you are fully aware that the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.

3. Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP need time to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and be given accurate answers before ing.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern and fear for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Joan McColl Drouin, Victoria, 3818, Australia

This email was sent by Joan McColl via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Joan provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Joan McColl at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Mccomb, Bernie - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 14:43:15

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Bernie Mccomb
Sent	28/05/2019 2:43:15 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

It's as bad as Ponzi to keep up gas yield, only possible for few years, then abandoned chemical dump, with fugitive methane for long time.

Gas is only a Transition fuel to stranded assets with shirt big bucks to people who don't need them.

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Bernie McComb Summerlands, Victoria, 3922, Australia

This email was sent by Bernie McComb via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Bernie provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Bernie McComb at **********.

Mcconchie, Rob - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:11:45

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Rob Mcconchie
Sent	23/05/2019 6:11:45 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

It is time to put the natural environment first. There is no planetB! There is an alternative to fracking. Why are the chemicals used in fracking such a closely held secret?

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Rob McConchie

This email was sent by Rob McConchie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Rob provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Rob McConchie at *********.

Mcconvell, Amina - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 21:28:52

Subject	amina.mcconvell@gmail.com
From	Amina Mcconvell
Sent	28/05/2019 9:28:52 PM

I am deeply concerned about the risks to the NT water supply, that fracking presents; and the flow on effects to communities, health, livestock, wildlife and the environment. I object to this project and don't believe it should go ahead.

I cite the following points as key to my objection to this project:

The fracking processes uses dangerous chemicals that represent a threat to human health, the natural environment and water sources.

Origin have provided a list of chemicals that will be stored and used on the site of their exploration well Many of these chemicals do not have available health data. These chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in the fracking processes.

The health and environmental risks of the dangerous chemicals used in the fracking processes are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks.

Origin is proposing using open tanks to store liquids that flow back after the fracking process, which will be millions of litres. This is in spite of the fact that the Northern Territory fracking inquiry recommended that all polluted water from the fracking process be stored in closed tanks to minimise risks to human life and the natural environment.4

There are serious concerns as to whether Traditional Owners have been able to provide free, prior and informed consent to the fracking process.

The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory stated that, 'Aboriginal people from regional communities who made submissions to the Panel almost universally expressed deep concern about, and strong opposition to, the development of any onshore shale gas industry on their country.'4 This included communities in the Beetaloo basin where this exploration well will be located. A report from the Jumbunna Institute at UTS, 5 has questioned whether communities have been provided adequate information about the fracking processes, leading to the conclusion that 'based on a review of publicly available information, the report finds that most – if not all – exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of free, prior and informed consent'. In this context it is not appropriate to proceed with the current exploration permit without further consultation.

References:

- [1] 'Onshore shale gas in Australia and the Northern Territory', The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory, March 2018.
- [2] 'NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants', The Australia Institute.
- [3] For more information on chemical information see 'Object to Origin's frack plans', Lock the Gate.
- [4] Recommendation 7.12, The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory, March 2018.
- [4] 'Aboriginal people and their culture', p 266, The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory, March 2018.
- [5] Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the NT, Jumbunna Institute UTS.

Yours sincerely,

Amina McConvell

Mcconville, Julie – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 14:38:01

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Julie Mcconville
Sent	29/05/2019 2:38:01 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Julie McConville Mudjimba, Queensland, 4564, Australia

This email was sent by Julie McConville via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Julie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Julie McConville at *********.

Mccool, Jim - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 16:35:48

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jim Mccool
Sent	24/05/2019 4:35:48 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP in order to protect the land, water, health and well-being of impacted communities as well as our own shared future from climate change.

As someone who lives in a coastal community, I am particularly concerned about the impact of rising sea levels on my home and on my local area.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, jim mccool Umina Beach, New South Wales, 2257, Australia

This email was sent by jim mccool via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however jim provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to jim mccool at *********.

Mccool, Lida - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 08:47:56

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Lida Mccool
Sent	24/05/2019 8:47:56 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

It is our outmost duty to stop the extraction and burning of fossil fuels now, to avoid catastrophic consequences for Australia and the planet.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Lida McCool Umina Beach, New South Wales, 2257, Australia

This email was sent by Lida McCool via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Lida provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lida McCool at **********.

Mccord, Kathleen - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 11:01:08

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Kathleen Mccord
Sent	29/05/2019 11:01:08 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Kathleen McCord Tambar Springs, New South Wales, 2381, Australia

This email was sent by Kathleen McCord via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Kathleen provided an email address (***********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kathleen McCord at **********0.

Mccormack, Kate - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 20:25:35

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Kate Mccormack
Sent	23/05/2019 8:25:35 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

I have children.

The fear of the what the world will be like when they are adults keeps me awake at night. You?

I write this submission to beg the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP.

Our species' very existence depends on us taking drastic measures NOW to reduce emissions. We cannot afford to continue making things worse. This venture will make things tremendously and irreversibly worse, immediately and for the indefinite future.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land.

The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

PLEASE BELIEVE THE SCIENCE, PLEASE DON'T RISK OUR FUTURE.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286

- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Kate McCormack Brunswick, Victoria, 3056, Australia

This email was sent by Kate McCormack via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Kate provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kate McCormack at *********.

Mccormick, Jon – Sunday, 26 May 2019 – 07:57:55

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Jon Mccormick
Sent	26/05/2019 7:57:55 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Jon McCormick Norman, Oklahoma, 73071, United States

This email was sent by Jon McCormick via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jon provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jon McCormick at *********.

Mccormickl, Selwyn - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 15:23:32

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Selwyn Mccormickl
Sent	29/05/2019 3:23:32 PM

We need to stop all this which endangearing our climate, the reef aand our native animals.rite your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

Selwyn McCormickl ************ SA 5091

Mccoy, Jacquie – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 10:58:35

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jacquie Mccoy
Sent	29/05/2019 10:58:35 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jacquie McCoy Kotara, New South Wales, 2289, Australia

This email was sent by Jacquie McCoy via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jacquie provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jacquie McCoy at *********.

Mccredie, Catherine – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 20:30:00

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Catherine Mccredie
Sent	23/05/2019 8:30:00 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

I ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to reject Origin Energy's EMP for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program for these reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks to citizens and wildlife.
- 3. Origin Energy have issued exploration permits in the Northern Territory for unconventional gas in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [1].
- 4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment and to community health.

Plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

A consultation period and process should be provided for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider the program and be given a fair chance to respond.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

[1] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Catherine McCredie

This email was sent by Catherine McCredie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Catherine provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Catherine McCredie at **********

Mccullagh, Frank – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 14:45:10

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Frank Mccullagh
Sent	25/05/2019 2:45:10 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Frank McCullagh Graceville, Queensland, 4075, Australia

This email was sent by Frank McCullagh via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Frank provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Frank McCullagh at *********.

Mccullagh, Tracy – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:04:03

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Tracy Mccullagh
Sent	29/05/2019 12:04:03 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Tracy McCullagh

This email was sent by Tracy McCullagh via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Tracy provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Tracy McCullagh at *********.

Mccutcheon, Sue – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 19:23:20

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Sue Mccutcheon
Sent	29/05/2019 7:23:20 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Sue McCutcheon Dareton, New South Wales, 2717, Australia

This email was sent by Sue McCutcheon via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Sue provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sue McCutcheon at *********.

Mcd, Cam - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 19:31:36

Subject	Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) is not good
From	Cam Mcd
Sent	29/05/2019 7:31:36 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the DENR to please reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Cam McD

This email was sent by Cam McD via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Cam provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Cam McD at *********.

Mcdavitt, Jillian – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:49:47

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jillian Mcdavitt
Sent	29/05/2019 12:49:47 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jillian McDavitt Armadale, Victoria, 3143, Australia

This email was sent by Jillian McDavitt via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jillian provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jillian McDavitt at *********.

Mcdermott, Brian - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 14:10:08

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Brian Mcdermott
Sent	24/05/2019 2:10:08 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Brian McDermott Oxley, Queensland, 4075, Australia

This email was sent by Brian McDermott via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Brian provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Brian McDermott at *********.

Mcdermott, Gabrielle - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 04:27:03

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Gabrielle Mcdermott
Sent	24/05/2019 4:27:03 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Gabrielle McDermott Cape Jervis, South Australia, 5204, Australia

This email was sent by Gabrielle McDermott via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Gabrielle provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Gabrielle McDermott at *********.

Mcdonald, David – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:08:05

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	David Mcdonald
Sent	29/05/2019 12:08:05 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, David McDonald

This email was sent by David McDonald via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however David provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to David McDonald at *********.

Mcdonald, J – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 23:47:53

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	J Mcdonald
Sent	28/05/2019 11:47:53 PM

Origin want to start fracking in the Northern Territory as early as June this year, and have applied to the Northern Territory government for approval of their Environmental Management Plan for an exploration well.

If this exploration well finds gas, or worse oil and gas, it could mean the start of Australia's first land-based shale oil and gas field, where every well would need to be fracked. It would be a climate disaster, destroying country and water.

An independent inquiry into fracking in the Northern Territory found Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land, but Origin is pushing ahead with their dirty fracking plans. mission.

J McDonald ************* NSW 2154

Mcdonald, Jennifer – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 06:22:27

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Jennifer Mcdonald
Sent	29/05/2019 6:22:27 AM

Dear Minister/s for Energy and the Environment,

My cousin is a widow in Hopeland, outside Chinchilla, Queensland. Her husband took his own life after years of resisting Link Energy's plans for his beloved quality farmland - his legacy.

The Courts have since found Link Energy responsible for environmental damage, but Link is unable to pay, so the mess remains. I believe that the Queensland Government is culpable in their failure to protect the environment and its people.

YOUR NT GOVERNMENT still has the opportunity to do the right thing - to listen to the Aboriginal people who want to protect their country and lifestyle.

Hydraulic fracking is a toxic process, with the potential to permanently pollute the water in our massive artesian basin.

Our Agricultural production relies on a clean, green image that Origin could damage forever. Please think deeply when considering Origin's plans. Think long-term, and protect the environment from the damage and destruction that Origin may never be able to clean up, even if the Courts require it. Does their Environmental Management Plan REALLY stand up?

Please show courage and real leadership when considering Orign's plans. If you follow the wisdom of the Aboriginal people, you might be remembered as the leaders who took care of our country, rather than the ones who allowed its pollution which compromised lifestyles and industries.

All Australians are relying on you to protect our environment, lifestyles and industries.

Mcdonald, Judith - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 15:39:42

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Judith Mcdonald
Sent	24/05/2019 3:39:42 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Judith McDonald Lunawanna, Bruny Island Tasmania, 7150, Australia

This email was sent by Judith McDonald via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Judith provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Judith McDonald at *********.

Mcdonald, Judith – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:56:23

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Judith Mcdonald
Sent	29/05/2019 12:56:23 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Judith McDonald Lunawanna, Tasmania, 7150, Australia

This email was sent by Judith McDonald via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Judith provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Judith McDonald at *********.

Mcdonald, Kerri – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:05:23

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Kerri Mcdonald
Sent	29/05/2019 3:05:23 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Kerri McDonald Ferny Hills, Queensland, 4055, Australia

This email was sent by Kerri McDonald via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Kerri provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kerri McDonald at *********.

Mcdonald, Rhett - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 19:59:34

Subject	No to fracking in Kyalla
From	Rhett Mcdonald
Sent	25/05/2019 7:59:34 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I want to protests about the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the NT.

I am worried about our environment.

Water is a major issue in our country and the world, the chemicals used for fracking will contaminate both the ground water and the waste water as a result of the fracking. Goodness knows what health repercussions this will have to both human and animals.

And, they are going to store fluids in open waster water dams???

I love to holiday in the NT, but this will just ruin the landscape not to mention the pollutants and contamination that it will cause.

Yours sincerely, Rhett McDonald Mount Gambier, South Australia, 5290, Australia

This email was sent by Rhett McDonald via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Rhett provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Rhett McDonald at *********.

Mcdonald, Sharon - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 16:58:28

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sharon Mcdonald
Sent	24/05/2019 4:58:28 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP, to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sharon McDonald Richmond, Victoria, 3121, Australia

This email was sent by Sharon McDonald via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Sharon provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sharon McDonald at *********.

Mcdonald, Tessa – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:01:04

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Tessa Mcdonald
Sent	29/05/2019 1:01:04 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater."
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities.
- 4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

Yours sincerely, Tessa McDonald South Hobart, Tasmania, 7004, Australia

This email was sent by Tessa McDonald via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at

*********, however Tessa provided an email address (********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Tessa McDonald at *********.

Mcdonell, Kate - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 06:28:04

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Kate Mcdonell
Sent	24/05/2019 6:28:04 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Kate McDonell

This email was sent by Kate McDonell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Kate provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kate McDonell at *********.

Mcdonnell, Kevin - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 08:28:53

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Kevin Mcdonnell
Sent	24/05/2019 8:28:53 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Kevin McDonnell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Kevin provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kevin McDonnell at *********.

Mcdonnell, Rosie – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 14:03:12

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Rosie Mcdonnell
Sent	29/05/2019 2:03:12 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Rosie McDonnell

This email was sent by Rosie McDonnell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Rosie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Rosie McDonnell at *********.

Mcdonnell, Susan - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:19:42

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Susan Mcdonnell
Sent	23/05/2019 6:19:42 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Susan McDonnell Manly West, Queensland, 4179, Australia

This email was sent by Susan McDonnell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Susan provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Susan McDonnell at *********.

Mcdonogh, Sophie – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 12:53:51

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Sophie Mcdonogh
Sent	28/05/2019 12:53:51 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Sophie Mcdonogh Booyong, New South Wales, 2480, Australia

This email was sent by Sophie Mcdonogh via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Sophie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sophie Mcdonogh at *********.

Mcdowall, Alec - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 21:24:04

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Alec Mcdowall
Sent	23/05/2019 9:24:04 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Alec McDowall Manningham, South Australia, 5086, Australia

This email was sent by Alec McDowall via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Alec provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Alec McDowall at *********.

Mcdowell, Adele - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 13:42:57

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Adele Mcdowell
Sent	30/05/2019 1:42:57 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Adele McDowell Aspley, Queensland, 4034, Australia

This email was sent by Adele McDowell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Adele provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Adele McDowell at *********.

Mcelroy, Jessica – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 10:45:18

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Jessica Mcelroy
Sent	25/05/2019 10:45:18 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Jessica McElroy Fawcetts Plain, New South Wales, 2474, Australia

This email was sent by Jessica McElroy via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jessica provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jessica McElroy at *********.

Mcelvenny, Greg - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 17:54:43

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Greg Mcelvenny
Sent	23/05/2019 5:54:43 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Greg McElvenny Bowral, New South Wales, 2576, Australia

This email was sent by Greg McElvenny via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Greg provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Greg McElvenny at *********.

Mcervale, Sheridan - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 20:28:01

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Sheridan Mcervale
Sent	29/05/2019 8:28:01 PM

To whom it concerns

Fracking is a dangerous and discredited practice that has the potential to do untold harm to our ecosystem. Why would you do that to our planet? Please promote and support sustainable energy projects rather than boosting the profits of unethical corporations.

Mcevoy, Andrew - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 13:21:40

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Andrew Mcevoy
Sent	24/05/2019 1:21:40 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Andrew McEvoy

This email was sent by Andrew McEvoy via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Andrew provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Andrew McEvoy at *********.

Mcewen, Jess – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 18:55:36

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jess Mcewen
Sent	29/05/2019 6:55:36 PM

To whom it may concern - Department of Environment and Natural Resources,

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

I am saddened to hear that even more of Australia's land, water, ecosystems, wildlife is to be subjected to fracking.

Not to mention the majority of Traditional Owners are being disrespected as they are opposed to fracking on their land.

We are in a time of climate emergency, where the UN is advocating for countries to do much better, releasing a report that 1 million species extinctions will occur if we continue on the same trajectory.

The world has 11 years to make massive changes before effects to climate are irreversible.

In a future that is stricken with drought, extreme heat, food shortages, water shortages Aboriginal communities in the NT will struggle to stay on their country, where they have deep cultural and spiritual connections.

There are well known risks to fracking and to expand exploration in a time when we need to be investing heavily into renewables is anachronistic.

Storage of wastewater in open air tanks is contradictory to the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater."

The climate crisis is creating seasons that are becoming more and more unpredictedable meaning floods or storms can happen at anytime of year.

The idea that open tanks with fracking wastewater is acceptable management of waste storage is outrageous - there is potential to toxicify drinking water, harm wildlife and ecosystems, potentially pollute waterways and put whole communities at risk long term.

Proper consultation with the Traditional owners has not occurred which is all too common in Australia. Permits for gas exploration were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners. An inquiry has found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposse fracking on their land.

There are concerning reports outlining insufficient consultations across the board with Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health. Chemicals used during all processes of the operation pose risks down the well and also at the surface.

Any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead at all.

Expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to decarbonise the global economy and energy system.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region.

I write this submission for my 4 year old son for whom I am terrified, thinking of what his future holds if projects like this continue to get approval across our beautiful country pushing global heating beyond 1.5 degrees Celsius.

Yours sincerely, Jess Mcewen

Streaky Bay, South Australia, 5680, Australia

This email was sent by Jess Mcewen via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Jess provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jess Mcewen at *********.

Mcfarlane, Lucas - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 14:14:34

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Lucas Mcfarlane
Sent	30/05/2019 2:14:34 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Lucas McFarlane North Ryde, New South Wales, 2113, Australia

This email was sent by Lucas McFarlane via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Lucas provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lucas McFarlane at *********.

Mcfarlane, Moira – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 17:54:20

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Moira Mcfarlane
Sent	23/05/2019 5:54:20 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Moira McFarlane North Beach, Western Australia, 6020, Australia

This email was sent by Moira McFarlane via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Moira provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Moira McFarlane at *********.

Mcfeat, Gary – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 18:55:32

Subject	I Object to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and
_	Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Gary Mcfeat
Sent	28/05/2019 6:55:32 PM

Fracking will destroy the pristine environment of the Northern Territory. Look at the results of fracking in other countries. It has devastated families and communities. And for what? An outdated energy source that is attracting less and less support from governments all over the world. Please don't sell out the Northern Territory's future for a short-term cash grab.

Gary McFeat ************** NSW 2204

Mcgain, Celeste – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 10:34:53

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Celeste Mcgain
Sent	29/05/2019 10:34:53 AM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

Celeste McGain

NSW 2474

Mcgann, TM – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 17:51:26

Subject	Urgent: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	TM Mcgann
Sent	29/05/2019 5:51:26 PM

To whom it may concern (at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR))

Regarding: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, TM McGann Benalla, Victoria, 3672, Australia

This email was sent by TM McGann via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however TM provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to TM McGann at *********.

Mcgee, Georgie - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 12:25:29

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Georgie Mcgee
Sent	28/05/2019 12:25:29 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Georgie McGee Darwin DC, Northern Territory, 0820, Australia

This email was sent by Georgie McGee via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Georgie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Georgie McGee at **********.

Mcghee, Iain - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 16:56:46

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	lain Mcghee
Sent	30/05/2019 4:56:46 PM

Dear madams and sirs.

I object to the Origin Energy Beetaloo basin "fracking" project on several grounds.

Firstly and very importantly:

1. It is unsustainable.

It will lead to further unchecked climate change. The amount of gas extracted from the mooted project is equivalent to 50 power stations running for 30 years. When internationally as Paris signatories we are committed to reducing global warming to under 2 degrees Celsius this represents a serious threat when added with existing fossil fuel extraction sites plus any new opened. There is a clear and present danger in every new project.

- 2. Origin has failed to document health and safety data on the numerous chemicals they plan to use. Many of these chemicals do not have adequate data on human, ecosystem/water effects and must not be allowed to proceed as per the precautionary principle and all onflow environmental effects.
- 3. Origin are planning on open storage tanks on liquid return from the hydraulic fracturing process, which is dangerous. The Northern Territory fracking enquiry recommended all tanks be closed to minimise risks to humans and the surrounding ecosystem. Again this has been ignored by Origin Energy.
- 4. Traditional owner consent. The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory stated that, 'Aboriginal people from regional communities who made submissions to the Panel almost universally expressed deep concern about, and strong opposition to, the development of any onshore shale gas industry on their country.' The issue of free, prior and informed consent is of grave concern. The Jumbunna Institute at UTS after assessing all the data found that in issuing the exploration permits most, if not all permits were based on a review of publicly available information, the report finds that these exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of free, prior and informed consent.

This especially applies to the Traditional owner communities of the Beetaloo basin. These exploration permits cannot continue; the Traditional owners have not been given sufficient information and already are almost universally opposed. In an era of reconciliation and emerging treaty with First Nations peoples (I write this during National Reconciliation Week) this is a shocking abuse of Traditional owner consent, which must be given freely, with full information and consent. This clearly has not happened, virtually all communities have objected based even on current insufficient information.

Again, the exploration process for unconventional gas cannot proceed.

I do not see how Origin has fulfilled any obligations to Paris commitments, health and safety

data on chemicals and storage of returned liquids, and absolutely no informed consent of Traditional owners.

Yours sincerely,

Iain McGhee. Wurundjeri land, Kulin Nation.

Iain McGhee ************** VIC 3081

Mcgill, Anne-Thea – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 09:37:46

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Anne-Thea Mcgill
Sent	29/05/2019 9:37:46 AM

The ancestral owners and anyone who wants the whole planet to keep living objects to the terrible problems on the land and water where ever it has been 'allowed'. Even the wealthy industrialists will suffer from climate, air and real food quality. These will kill even the those hunkered down on bunkers and you r offspring. But industry bosses/owners will just go on macho power addicts - until stopped by others ... or the environment. Stop all fracking on Aboriginal and all 'country'.

Mcginn, Charlotte - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 09:03:07

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Charlotte Mcginn
Sent	25/05/2019 9:03:07 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Charlotte McGinn Aubin Grove, Western Australia, 6164, Australia

This email was sent by Charlotte McGinn via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Charlotte provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Charlotte McGinn at *********.

Mcginn, Diana - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 11:55:14

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Diana Mcginn
Sent	24/05/2019 11:55:14 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, diana meginn Fremantle, Western Australia, 6160, Australia

This email was sent by diana mcginn via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however diana provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to diana mcginn at *********.

Mcginn, Diana – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:50:44

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Diana Mcginn
Sent	29/05/2019 1:50:44 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, diana meginn Fremantle, Western Australia, 6160, Australia

This email was sent by diana mcginn via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however diana provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to diana mcginn at *********.

Mcgowan, Darren - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 13:29:22

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Darren Mcgowan
Sent	29/05/2019 1:29:22 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Darren Mcgowan

This email was sent by Darren Mcgowan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Darren provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Darren Mcgowan at *********.

Mcgrath, Anne – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 23:40:08

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Anne Mcgrath
Sent	29/05/2019 11:40:08 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

As a non aboriginal, I also am aware any form of fracking in the NT will eventually effect everyone and everything in Australia. Without uncontaminated water in our artesian basin and waterways, our natural environment and agricultural industries cannot survive...and therefore our very survival as a nation.

Yours sincerely, Anne McGrath Rothwell, Queensland, 4022, Australia

This email was sent by Anne McGrath via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Anne provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Anne McGrath at *********.

Mcgrath, Colleen - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 19:52:42

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Colleen Mcgrath
Sent	23/05/2019 7:52:42 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Colleen McGrath Geelong West, Victoria, 3218, Australia

This email was sent by Colleen McGrath via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Colleen provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Colleen McGrath at *********.

Mcgrath, Colleen – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 22:03:22

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Colleen Mcgrath
Sent	29/05/2019 10:03:22 PM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

Colleen McGrath *********
VIC 3218

Mcgrath, John - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 18:23:22

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	John Mcgrath
Sent	24/05/2019 6:23:22 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, john mcgrath New South Wales, 2340, Australia

This email was sent by john mcgrath via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however john provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to john mcgrath at *********.

Mcgugan, Stephen – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:28:03

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Stephen Mcgugan
Sent	29/05/2019 1:28:03 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Stephen McGugan Marrara, Northern Territory, 0812, Australia

This email was sent by Stephen McGugan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Stephen provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Stephen McGugan at *********.

MCGUINESS, Brian – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 12:54:23

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Brian MCGUINESS
Sent	24/05/2019 12:54:23 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Brian MCGUINESS Mullumbimby, New South Wales, 2482, Australia

This email was sent by Brian MCGUINESS via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Brian provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Brian MCGUINESS at *********.

Mcguire, Stephanie – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 16:11:10

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Stephanie Mcguire
Sent	29/05/2019 4:11:10 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Stephanie McGuire Bull Creek, Western Australia, 6149, Australia

This email was sent by Stephanie McGuire via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Stephanie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Stephanie McGuire at *********.

Mcguirk, Marita – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:13:28

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Marita Mcguirk
Sent	29/05/2019 12:13:28 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP.

Fracking has been proven to have dire and irreversible environmental impacts. It is not worth the risk to our country to allow this project to proceed.

I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Marita McGuirk Bowenvale, Victoria, 3465, Australia

This email was sent by Marita McGuirk via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Marita provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Marita McGuirk at *********.

Mcinerney, Amanda - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 13:57:01

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Amanda Mcinerney
Sent	24/05/2019 1:57:01 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Amanda McInerney Cable Beach, Western Australia, 6726, Australia

This email was sent by Amanda McInerney via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Amanda provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Amanda McInerney at *********.

Mcinnis, Alex – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:43:19

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Alex Mcinnis
Sent	29/05/2019 12:43:19 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Alex McInnis

This email was sent by Alex McInnis via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Alex provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Alex McInnis at *********.

Mcintosh, Laura – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 20:44:28

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Laura Mcintosh
Sent	28/05/2019 8:44:28 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns. If this site goes ahead I will ensure I will never be a customer of Origin energy again & I'll be sure to spread the word. FRACKING is NOT welcome in Australia!!!!

Yours sincerely, Laura McIntosh Bells Beach, Victoria, 3228, Australia

This email was sent by Laura McIntosh via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Laura provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Laura McIntosh at *********.

Mcintosh, Marian – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:39:58

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Marian Mcintosh
Sent	29/05/2019 12:39:58 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I am writing this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to reject Origin Energy's EMP in order to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities, as well as our shared future, from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Marian McIntosh Randwick, New South Wales, 2031, Australia

This email was sent by Marian McIntosh via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Marian provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Marian McIntosh at *********.

Mcintosh, Neil – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 11:29:50

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Neil Mcintosh
Sent	24/05/2019 11:29:50 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Neil McIntosh Lynwood, New South Wales, 2477, Australia

This email was sent by Neil McIntosh via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Neil provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Neil McIntosh at *********.

Mcintyre, Anne - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 20:59:56

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Anne Mcintyre
Sent	28/05/2019 8:59:56 PM

The fracking that is proposed to create mines to find oil and gas in the Northern Territory is going to destroy the natural beauty of the areas affected. In addition to that devastation of the landscape, it is proposed that there would be open ponds for the waste water which will have the potential to adversely affect both human and animal life in the area. The chemicals that will be used will destroy the water supplies and the "country" of the traditional owners who are all opposed to Origin's fracking projects. It seems that hundreds of mine sites and explorations are proposed, so hundreds of pristine areas will be destroyed forever. In addition, this extension of the search for fossil fuels ignores the potential Australia has for renewable fuels. The money and expertise being put into industries that are on the way out in the world should be put into the renewable energy industries of the future.

Mcintyre, Beverley – Sunday, 26 May 2019 – 10:57:01

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Beverley Mcintyre
Sent	26/05/2019 10:57:01 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Beverley McIntyre Camberwell, Victoria, 3124, Australia

This email was sent by Beverley McIntyre via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Beverley provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Beverley McIntyre at *********.

Mcintyre, Bianca – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 11:22:15

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Bianca Mcintyre
Sent	24/05/2019 11:22:15 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Bianca McIntyre Reservoir, Victoria, 3073, Australia

This email was sent by Bianca McIntyre via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Bianca provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Bianca McIntyre at *********.

Mcintyre, Glenda – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 11:13:59

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Glenda Mcintyre
Sent	24/05/2019 11:13:59 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Glenda McIntyre Leslie Manor, Victoria, 3260, Australia

This email was sent by Glenda McIntyre via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Glenda provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Glenda McIntyre at *********.

Mcintyre, Glenda – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 12:10:30

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Glenda Mcintyre
Sent	28/05/2019 12:10:30 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Glenda McIntyre Leslie Manor, Victoria, 3260, Australia

This email was sent by Glenda McIntyre via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Glenda provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Glenda McIntyre at *********.

Mcintyre, Jo – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:22:34

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jo Mcintyre
Sent	29/05/2019 12:22:34 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jo McIntyre Grassy Head, New South Wales, 2441, Australia

This email was sent by Jo McIntyre via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jo provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jo McIntyre at *********.

Mcintyre, Sharon – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:29:01

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sharon Mcintyre
Sent	29/05/2019 11:29:01 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sharon McIntyre Broken Hill, New South Wales, 2880, Australia

This email was sent by Sharon McIntyre via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Sharon provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sharon McIntyre at *********.

Mckay, Allan - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 18:08:16

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Allan Mckay
Sent	24/05/2019 6:08:16 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Allan McKay Shelly Beach, Queensland, 4551, Australia

This email was sent by Allan McKay via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Allan provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Allan McKay at *********.

Mckay, James - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 15:09:49

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	James Mckay
Sent	27/05/2019 3:09:49 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, James McKay Ballarat, Victoria, 3350, Australia

This email was sent by James McKay via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however James provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to James McKay at *********.

Mckay, Kim - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 23:53:26

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT and Australia as a whole country
From	Kim Mckay
Sent	27/05/2019 11:53:26 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

WATER RISKS AND ECOSYSTEMS GENOCIDES

The fact this industry has permanent country wide eternity moratorium and that the treasonous incorporation refuses to apply our nations TRUE Federal Constitutional Security Laws just proves the mass corporatism terrorism attacks at all cost to Australia and it's survival of all life here. This is seen by all societies world wide as a terrorist industry so for the so called government to aid and abet these terrorists in any way they all MUST be charged with these war crimes against Australia.

Origin and other Companies are all acting and actioning horrendous crimes against Australia and it's society, the fact our nation is the 2nd driest continent in the world and these industries are actually making huge losses leeching subsidies and sinking illegal water bores to sell our nations rarest, highest security resource.

It is money laundering, theft, hate, corporatism terrorism and associations and a war crime, that will be the new charges if this passes, the same goes for any other illegal operations (Adani is on that charge list). We will not be ignored any longer!

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Kim Mckay Bayswater North, Victoria, 3153, Australia

Please reply to Kim Mckay at *********.

Mckay-Wilson, Jordan - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 18:28:46

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jordan Mckay-Wilson
Sent	28/05/2019 6:28:46 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jordan McKay-Wilson Howrah, Tasmania, 7018, Australia

This email was sent by Jordan McKay-Wilson via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jordan provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jordan McKay-Wilson at *********.

Mckechnie, Jennifer – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 17:35:05

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jennifer Mckechnie
Sent	30/05/2019 5:35:05 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jennifer McKechnie Coburg, Victoria, 3058, Australia

This email was sent by Jennifer McKechnie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jennifer provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jennifer McKechnie at *********.

Mckell, John - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 15:35:19

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	John Mckell
Sent	26/05/2019 3:35:19 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, John McKell Jerseyville, New South Wales, 2431, Australia

This email was sent by John McKell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however John provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to John McKell at *********.

Mckellar, Colin - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 20:42:55

Subject	Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly oppose fracking on their land
From	Colin Mckellar
Sent	28/05/2019 8:42:55 PM

Origin are seeking approval from the Northern Territory government to start drilling and fracking for gas in the Northern Territory. Before they've even got approval to go ahead with their massive shale gas project, Origin are already cutting corners.

They want to store millions of litres of water poisoned with fracking chemicals in open ponds, exposed to extreme weather and putting the local environment at risk with toxic waste. This is despite the Northern Territory government's own fracking inquiry recommending the use of closed tanks for all fracking

operations. An independent inquiry into fracking in the Northern Territory found Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly oppose fracking on their land, but Origin is pushing ahead with their dirty fracking plans.

Mckenna, Amanda – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:24:10

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Amanda Mckenna
Sent	29/05/2019 11:24:10 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Amanda McKenna

This email was sent by Amanda McKenna via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Amanda provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Amanda McKenna at *********.

Mckenna, Chantelle – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 22:23:17

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Chantelle Mckenna
Sent	29/05/2019 10:23:17 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I've heard fracking affected community members speak about the pollution of the water on their property and the illnesses their children are now dealing with, and I've seen documentaries of Australian rivers being turned flammable by gas pollution. The science of the danger, and the unacceptable and irreversible true costs of fracking is widely documented and conclusive. Apart from the outrageous disregard of First Nations wishes, as a signatory to the Paris Agreement and with scientists emphatically agreeing that we have to make drastic change within the next 10 years, this proposal is criminally negligent to all current and future generations and the beautiful NT environment.

NI CHVIIOIIIICIII.

I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.

- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.
- 4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants

- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Chantelle McKenna Port Macquarie, New South Wales, 2444, Australia

This email was sent by Chantelle McKenna via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Chantelle provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Chantelle McKenna at *********.

Mckenzie, A – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 11:59:33

Subject	Can't we find a better way to work through this 'energy crisis'?
From	A Mckenzie
Sent	24/05/2019 11:59:33 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

The risks are too high!!... as outlined below-

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, A McKenzie Emungalan, Northern Territory, 0850, Australia

This email was sent by A McKenzie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however A provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to A McKenzie at *********.

Mckenzie, Deni - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 10:31:42

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Deni Mckenzie
Sent	24/05/2019 10:31:42 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

My first, and most important point is water. The disastrous waste of water for mines has long gone.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change. Climate change is a powerful factor too.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond, which can never be reversed.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream. Ridiculous,!
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin

Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Deni McKenzie Armidale, New South Wales, 2350, Australia

This email was sent by Deni McKenzie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Deni provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Deni McKenzie at *********.

Mckenzie, Ian – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 00:17:51

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	lan Mckenzie
Sent	29/05/2019 12:17:51 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Ian Mckenzie Girrawheen, Western Australia, 6064, Australia

This email was sent by Ian Mckenzie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Ian provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ian Mckenzie at *********.

Mckenzie, Julie - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 11:24:52

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Julie Mckenzie
Sent	26/05/2019 11:24:52 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Julie McKenzie Tullymorgan, New South Wales, 2463, Australia

This email was sent by Julie McKenzie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Julie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Julie McKenzie at *********.

Mckenzie, Robert – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 18:10:06

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Robert Mckenzie
Sent	23/05/2019 6:10:06 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Especially given that in causing fractures, there is very obviously no control what so ever as the extent of the fracturing nor where it permeates, such that established strata would no longer be integrated so to prevent contamination of other strata, including strata that carries the life giving water that is needed in such dry country.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Robert McKenzie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Robert provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Robert McKenzie at *********.

Mckenzie, Robert - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 12:08:27

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Robert Mckenzie
Sent	24/05/2019 12:08:27 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Robert McKenzie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Robert provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Robert McKenzie at *********.

Mckenzie, Rose - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 19:27:25

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Rose Mckenzie
Sent	23/05/2019 7:27:25 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I was a resident of the NT for 17 years. I still value the NT and have friends and family who live there.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Rose McKenzie Point Cook, Victoria, 3030, Australia

This email was sent by Rose McKenzie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Rose provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Rose McKenzie at *********.

Mckern, Bridget – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 21:09:47

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Bridget Mckern
Sent	28/05/2019 9:09:47 PM

If this exploration well finds gas, or worse oil and gas, it could mean the start of Australia's first land-based shale oil and gas field, where every well would need to be fracked. It would be a climate disaster, destroying country and water.

There are serious concerns as to whether Traditional Owners have been able to provide free, prior and informed consent to the fracking process.

Mckew, Laura – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:06:22

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Laura Mckew
Sent	29/05/2019 12:06:22 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I have deep love for the northern territory.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, laura mckew Western Creek, Tasmania, 7304, Australia

This email was sent by laura mckew via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however laura provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to laura mckew at *********.

Mckim, Tina – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 10:07:34

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Tina Mckim
Sent	25/05/2019 10:07:34 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a concerned person, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Tina McKim

This email was sent by Tina McKim via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ***********, however Tina provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Tina McKim at *********.

Mckinley, Janice - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 02:32:51

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Janice Mckinley
Sent	29/05/2019 2:32:51 AM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to the left to guide your submission.

Janice McKinley

WA 6014

Mckinley, Maxine - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 12:02:32

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Maxine Mckinley
Sent	24/05/2019 12:02:32 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Maxine McKinley

• Katoomba DC, New South Wales, 2780, Australia

This email was sent by Maxine McKinley via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Maxine provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Maxine McKinley at *********.

Mckinley, Rose - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 19:32:39

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Rose Mckinley
Sent	23/05/2019 7:32:39 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Rose McKinley Upper Coopers Creek, New South Wales, 2482, Australia

This email was sent by Rose McKinley via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Rose provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Rose McKinley at *********.

Mckinney, Ross – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 19:49:48

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Ross Mckinney
Sent	28/05/2019 7:49:48 PM

Fracking results in extracting materials & liquid containing substances that are in many instances unknown. They are the bi-product of the objective. Companies have been less than transparent regarding these 'waste products' and explaining or admitting if there is any possible negative implications to people that may come into contact with these waste materials or to agriculture (soils or animals). Fracking utilises inordinate amounts of water. Why would fracking be approved under these circumstances in the driest inhabited continent in the world? There is no place for this activity. All taxpayer subsidies targeted to support fracking should be diverted to worthwhile initiatives. Please ban fracking.

Ross Mckinney ************* NSW 2628

Mckinnon, Morag – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 09:03:43

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Morag Mckinnon
Sent	29/05/2019 9:03:43 AM

It has been proven that gas facking seriously damages the quality of soil, water and air in the environment, It also contributes to global warming. Please withdraw your plans to add further harm to this fragile planet and to the vulnerable aborigine community. Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

Mclachlan, Chad – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:10:11

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Chad Mclachlan
Sent	29/05/2019 11:10:11 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Chad McLachlan Torrensville, South Australia, 5031, Australia

This email was sent by Chad McLachlan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Chad provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Chad McLachlan at *********.

Mclachlan, Susie – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 12:34:40

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Susie Mclachlan
Sent	25/05/2019 12:34:40 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Susie McLachlan

This email was sent by Susie McLachlan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Susie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Susie McLachlan at *********.

Mclachlan, Wayne - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 12:35:45

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Wayne Mclachlan
Sent	25/05/2019 12:35:45 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Wayne McLachlan

This email was sent by Wayne McLachlan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Wayne provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Wayne McLachlan at *********.

Mclain, Jennifer - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 22:45:25

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Jennifer Mclain
Sent	28/05/2019 10:45:25 PM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to the left to guide your submission.

Mclaren, Nadia – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:30:37

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Nadia Mclaren
Sent	29/05/2019 3:30:37 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Nadia McLaren

This email was sent by Nadia McLaren via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Nadia provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Nadia McLaren at *********.

Mclaughlin, Annelie - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 19:46:23

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) as a dreadful
	idea in a time when we know we have to put our focus on living sustainalbly!!!
From	Annelie Mclaughlin
Sent	23/05/2019 7:46:23 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this strong appeal to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Annelie McLaughlin

This email was sent by Annelie McLaughlin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Annelie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Annelie McLaughlin at *********.

Mclaughlin, Harris – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 18:12:33

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Harris Mclaughlin
Sent	29/05/2019 6:12:33 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Harris McLaughlin

This email was sent by Harris McLaughlin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Harris provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Harris McLaughlin at *********.

Mclaughlin, Jason – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 09:40:29

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Jason Mclaughlin
Sent	24/05/2019 9:40:29 AM

To whom it may concern,

As a consumer and voter, I do not believe that this project should go ahead.

This project is a threat to our safe climate future. Origin's exploration well has the potential to lead to hundreds of Origin's shale gas wells in full production phase, and to the further development of Northern Territory's unconventional gas industry, which NT government sources have said could mean over 6000 gas wells. The gas industries' peak body, the Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association, has said there are over 200 trillion cubic feet of gas in the Northern Territory, which is the equivalent to 50 power stations operating for thirty years.

While I am a layman, I do understand that renewable energy sources should be the new corporate focus because we simply cannot afford such a climate disaster to our fragile ecological system which are already at risk.

The value of an economy is completely dependent on sustainable environment.

The fracking processes uses dangerous chemicals that represent a threat to human health, the natural environment and water sources. Origin have provided a list of chemicals that will be stored and used on the site of their exploration well. Independent assessment of these chemicals have indicated that there is a risk of serious illnesses in humans, and aquatic and other forms of life. Most disturbingly many of these chemicals do not have available health data. These chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in the fracking processes.

The health and environmental risks of the dangerous chemicals used in the fracking processes are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. Origin is proposing using open tanks to store liquids that flow back after the fracking process, which will be millions of litres. This is in spite of the fact that the Northern Territory fracking inquiry recommended that all polluted water from the fracking process be stored in closed tanks to minimise risks to human life and the natural environment.

There are also serious concerns as to whether Traditional Owners have been able to provide free, prior and informed consent to the fracking process. The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory stated that, 'Aboriginal people from regional communities who made submissions to the Panel almost universally expressed deep concern about, and strong opposition to, the development of any onshore shale gas industry on their country'. This included communities in the Beetaloo basin where this exploration well will be located. A report from the Jumbunna Institute at UTS, has questioned whether communities have been provided adequate information about the fracking processes, leading to the conclusion that 'based on a review of publicly available information, the report finds that most – if not all – exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of free, prior and informed consent'. In this context it is not appropriate to proceed with the current exploration permit without further consultation.

I hope that Origin will think long and hard about whether the risks are commercially viable in an swiftly evolving climate.

Kind regards,

Mclaughlin, Jeffrey – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 15:59:08

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Jeffrey Mclaughlin
Sent	28/05/2019 3:59:08 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Jeffrey Mclaughlin Tennant Creek, Northern Territory, 0860, Australia

This email was sent by Jeffrey Mclaughlin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Jeffrey provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jeffrey Mclaughlin at *********.

Mclay, Felicia - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 19:52:29

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Felicia Mclay
Sent	28/05/2019 7:52:29 PM

Please stop messing with the environment it is time to make a change in this country and make decisions that are better for the future and not just for short term gain. Be on the right side of history.

Mclean, Adrian - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 14:25:06

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Adrian Mclean
Sent	27/05/2019 2:25:06 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns. Adrian McLean

Yours sincerely, Adrian McLean North Wollongong, New South Wales, 2500, Australia

This email was sent by Adrian McLean via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Adrian provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Adrian McLean at **********.

Mclean, Anne - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 07:27:16

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Anne Mclean
Sent	28/05/2019 7:27:16 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Anne McLean

This email was sent by Anne McLean via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Anne provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Anne McLean at *********.

Mclean, Ione - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 19:14:12

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Ione Mclean
Sent	23/05/2019 7:14:12 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Ione McLean Alphington, Victoria, 3078, Australia

This email was sent by Ione McLean via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Ione provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ione McLean at *********.

Mclean, Nathalie - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 10:38:26

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Nathalie Mclean
Sent	30/05/2019 10:38:26 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Nathalie McLean Flemington, Victoria, 3031, Australia

This email was sent by Nathalie McLean via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Nathalie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Nathalie McLean at *********.

Mclean, Robert - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 19:06:33

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Robert Mclean
Sent	29/05/2019 7:06:33 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Robert McLean Shepparton, Victoria, 3630, Australia

This email was sent by Robert McLean via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Robert provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Robert McLean at *********.

Mcleary, Joy - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 06:08:29

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Joy Mcleary
Sent	24/05/2019 6:08:29 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Joy McLeary Emerald, Victoria, 3782, Australia

This email was sent by Joy McLeary via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Joy provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Joy McLeary at *********.

Mclellan, David - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 12:03:40

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	David Mclellan
Sent	29/05/2019 12:03:40 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances. The global community needs to take a fence at the top of the cliff, rather than an ambulance at the bottom approach.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary risk averse approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

As a custodian of the planet for future generations let our legacy not be the generation that tipped the balance on climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, David McLellan Upper Brookfield, Queensland, 4069, Australia

This email was sent by David McLellan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ***********, however David provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to David McLellan at *********.

Mclellan, Naomi – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 17:30:37

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Naomi Mclellan
Sent	30/05/2019 5:30:37 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the Australian community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. As a country signed to the UN Paris agreement, Australia and corporations registered in Australia have a duty to limit impacts of climate change and transition to safer, cleaner energy technologies. Further, we have a duty to the Australian community, inclusive of ALL Australians, to ensure safe living conditions and due diligence in relation to consultation with local Indigenous leaders and citizens affected by any proposed projects.

I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the

Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286

- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Naomi McLellan Allambie Heights, New South Wales 2100

This email was sent by Naomi McLellan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Naomi provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Naomi McLellan at *********.

Mclellan, Suzanne - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 06:07:06

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Suzanne Mclellan
Sent	30/05/2019 6:07:06 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Suzanne McLellan Burnett Heads, Queensland, 4670, Australia

This email was sent by Suzanne McLellan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Suzanne provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Suzanne McLellan at *********.

Mcleod, Brad – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:19:49

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Brad Mcleod
Sent	29/05/2019 11:19:49 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Brad McLeod Greensborough, Victoria, 3088, Australia

This email was sent by Brad McLeod via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Brad provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Brad McLeod at *********.

Mcleod, Elizabeth – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 07:41:40

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Elizabeth Mcleod
Sent	28/05/2019 7:41:40 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Elizabeth McLeod Carlton North, Victoria, 3054, Australia

This email was sent by Elizabeth McLeod via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Elizabeth provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Elizabeth McLeod at *********.

Mcleod, Lyn – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 18:01:23

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Lyn Mcleod
Sent	24/05/2019 6:01:23 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Lyn Mcleod Ashwood, Victoria, 3147, Australia

This email was sent by Lyn Mcleod via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Lyn provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lyn Mcleod at *********.

Mcleod, Lyn - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 18:57:33

Subject	Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Lyn Mcleod
Sent	28/05/2019 6:57:33 PM

Fracking is too damaging to our fragile earth, we need to care about the generations to come and deliver them a viable future.

Mcleod, Lyn – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:13:07

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Lyn Mcleod
Sent	29/05/2019 11:13:07 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Lyn Mcleod

This email was sent by Lyn Mcleod via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Lyn provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lyn Mcleod at *********.

Mcleod, Tania - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 13:46:40

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Tania Mcleod
Sent	24/05/2019 1:46:40 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Please reply to Tania McLeod at *********.

Mcmahon, Janie - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 13:54:43

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT	
From	Janie Mcmahon	
Sent	27/05/2019 1:54:43 PM	

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Additionally, the gas industry recognise that following best practices, over 50% of wells fail in the first 12 months, and 100% will fail. They are unable to determine where in the ground they will fail or predict where chemicals or gas will travel which makes it a fire hazard, safety hazard.

Qld government has had to establish a 10km no go zone where LINC industry worked. There is too little to gain for what can be lost.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Janine McMahon Loganholme, Queensland, 4129, Australia

This email was sent by Janie McMahon via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Janie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Janie McMahon at *********.

Mcmahon, Robert - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 10:35:15

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Robert Mcmahon
Sent	30/05/2019 10:35:15 AM

fracking uses poisons and puts the centuries old water basin at risk. Aboriginal people and native animals require profound consideration at a time when culture and the species connected are at greter risk than at any other time in history. Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

Mcmahon, Sharon - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 14:59:24

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Sharon Mcmahon
Sent	24/05/2019 2:59:24 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Sharon McMahon via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Sharon provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sharon McMahon at *********.

Mcmahon, Trish – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 14:29:03

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Trish Mcmahon
Sent	29/05/2019 2:29:03 PM

Dear Origin Management People,

PLEASE RECONSIDER!! Dangerous chemicals which threaten human health as well as the natural environment and our precious water sources a not a good mix! And open storage tanks are a definite no-no. Too risky by far.

Our human race is dead without clean water in sufficient quantities.

What you are planning is too risky to even think about. So many assurances in the past have ended in catastrophe. We simply can't afford another on the scale you people are likely to bring about,

I also have serious concerns that traditional owners have been properly briefed about what is planned.

We are absolutely and totally opposed to this project.

Yours faithfully,

Trish McMahon & Family

Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

VIC 3363

Mcmanus, Kellie - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 19:00:08

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Kellie Mcmanus
Sent	23/05/2019 7:00:08 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Kellie McManus

This email was sent by Kellie McManus via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Kellie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kellie McManus at *********.

Mcmillan, Donna – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:27:48

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Donna Mcmillan
Sent	29/05/2019 11:27:48 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Donna McMillan

This email was sent by Donna McMillan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Donna provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Donna McMillan at *********.

Mcmillan, Mary-Anne – Monday, 27 May 2019 – 13:04:56

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Mary-Anne Mcmillan
Sent	27/05/2019 1:04:56 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Mary-Anne McMillan Thebarton, South Australia, 5031, Australia

This email was sent by Mary-Anne McMillan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Mary-Anne provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Mary-Anne McMillan at *********.

Mcmillan, Roxana - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 07:38:01

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Roxana Mcmillan
Sent	24/05/2019 7:38:01 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Roxana McMillan Rye, Victoria, 3941, Australia

This email was sent by Roxana McMillan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Roxana provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Roxana McMillan at *********.

Mcmurdo, Rob - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 19:41:09

Subject	No Fracking in NT	
From	Rob Mcmurdo	
Sent	28/05/2019 7:41:09 PM	

Fracking can adulterate water sources for ever over a vast area and it is virtually impossible to guarantee that there will be no pollution.

Rob McMurdo ************* NSW 2535

Mcnally, Shirley – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 14:18:06

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Shirley Mcnally
Sent	29/05/2019 2:18:06 PM

To the Department of the Environment and Natural Resources

I take this opportunity to ask the DENR to reject Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory.

It is critical to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of the Northern Territory from the impacts of climate change. Unless emissions are not quickly reduced the remote Aboriginal communities

will be the first to suffer extreme heat waves, water shortages and flooding, forcing many Aboriginal people to move off their country.

The approval of Origin's EMP in the Beetaloo Basin would be a green light for other companies to expand fracking throughout the Northern Territory and this would pose a serious climate change threat to a large part of Australia.

Also, the storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks. Climate change is already impacting weather patterns with drier and hotter wet seasons and having open tanks with fracking wastewater would put drinking water, wildlife and the health of community members and children at risk.

Not only that, the Traditional Owners are overwhelmingly opposed to fracking on their land. Origin Energy wants to use chemicals down wells and store these chemicals, some of which are dangerous, on-site. This can pose a huge risk to the environment, water and community health and is exacerbated by the use of open storage waste water tanks.

These are my main concerns regarding the risks of fracking.

I write this submission in support of all Aboriginal communities in the Northern Territory who are concerned about the dangers fracking could cause to their environment, to their water, their country and the risk of extinction to wild life.

Yours sincerely,

Shirley McNally Ormeau Hills, Queensland, 4208, Australia

This email was sent by Shirley McNally via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Shirley provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Shirley McNally at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co

To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Mcnamara, Geoff – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 05:59:41

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Geoff Mcnamara
Sent	30/05/2019 5:59:41 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Geoff McNamara Mountain Top, New South Wales, 2480, Australia

This email was sent by Geoff McNamara via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Geoff provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Geoff McNamara at *********.

Mcnamee, Lesley - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 17:50:18

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Lesley Mcnamee
Sent	29/05/2019 5:50:18 PM

To Whom it may concern, I would like to register my concern at your intention to start fracking in the NT. I feel that we do not have enough knowledge to further damage our precious environment especially our water supplies. There are alternatives to shale gas wells and as members of the Australian community you need to take responsibility for your actions. Large companies, especially energy suppliers, should be leading the actions to non-polluting, renewable and sustainable solutions not being the last to the table. It is time to restore the environment not damage it further. Time to be responsible not short sighted. Take time to assess the damage you know will occur. Are you sure you want that on your watch?

Mcnaughton, Pam – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:08:33

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
-	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Pam Mcnaughton
Sent	29/05/2019 3:08:33 PM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

Mcneill, Helen – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 14:12:23

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Helen Mcneill
Sent	29/05/2019 2:12:23 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Helen Mcneill Deer Vale, New South Wales, 2453, Australia

This email was sent by Helen Mcneill via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Helen provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Helen Mcneill at *********.

Mcnicol, Jill - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:48:27

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jill Mcnicol
Sent	23/05/2019 6:48:27 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jill McNicol Jindalee, Queensland, 4074, Australia

This email was sent by Jill McNicol via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jill provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jill McNicol at *********.

Mcormaig-Beckett, Eideard – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 21:12:55

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Eideard Mcormaig-Beckett
Sent	28/05/2019 9:12:55 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Eideard M"Cormaig-Beckett Balga, Western Australia, 6061, Australia

This email was sent by Eideard M"Cormaig-Beckett via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Eideard provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Eideard M"Cormaig-Beckett at *********.

Mcphail, Annette - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 12:35:44

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Annette Mcphail
Sent	27/05/2019 12:35:44 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Annette McPhail Warrnambool, Victoria, 3280, Australia

This email was sent by Annette McPhail via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Annette provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Annette McPhail at *********.

Mcpherson, Tennille – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 12:31:51

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Tennille Mcpherson
Sent	28/05/2019 12:31:51 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Tennille McPherson Darwin River, Northern Territory, 0841, Australia

This email was sent by Tennille McPherson via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Tennille provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Tennille McPherson at *********.

Mcqueen, Bruce - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 22:47:23

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Bruce Mcqueen
Sent	24/05/2019 10:47:23 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of toxins including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to pollute Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is totally unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Why would the Territory even consider allowing a new gas industry to start up in the face of a looming climate catastrophe caused by greenhouse gases? Surely this is madness.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Regards, Bruce McQueen.

This email was sent by Bruce McQueen via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Bruce provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Bruce McQueen at *********.

Mcqueen, Bruce – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 20:44:06

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
-	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Bruce Mcqueen
Sent	29/05/2019 8:44:06 PM

Leave the Beetaloo gas in the ground.

What is it about fossil fuelled climate catastrophe that the Gunnar Labor government doesn't understand?

Labor, COALition, what is the difference when you are all corrupt climate criminals, owned by even bigger criminal gas, coal and oil corporations.

No more fossil fuel exploration or exploitation in the Territory or anywhere else!

Mcquire, Hayley - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 15:17:57

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Hayley Mcquire
Sent	29/05/2019 3:17:57 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Hayley McQurie Bruce, Australian Capital Territory, 2617, Australia

This email was sent by Hayley McQuire via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Hayley provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Hayley McQuire at *********.

Mcwhirter, Scott - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 05:18:14

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Scott Mcwhirter
Sent	26/05/2019 5:18:14 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Scott McWhirter Epping, New South Wales, 2121, Australia

This email was sent by Scott McWhirter via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Scott provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Scott McWhirter at *********.

Mead, Philippa - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 00:31:02

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Philippa Mead
Sent	25/05/2019 12:31:02 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Philippa Mead Healesville, Victoria, 3777, Australia

This email was sent by Philippa Mead via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Philippa provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Philippa Mead at *********.

Meadows, Janet – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:51:27

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Janet Meadows
Sent	29/05/2019 12:51:27 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, ********** Janet Springfield Lakes, Queensland, 4300, Australia

This email was sent by Janet Meadows via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Janet provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Janet Meadows at *********.

Mealing, Indya – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 14:57:25

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Indya Mealing
Sent	29/05/2019 2:57:25 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), I used to be an Origin customer, I left due to your current position on fracking. I believe there are so many better ways to genuinely build our energy future, I now use a power company who's ethics I believe in.

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Indya Mealing Yamba, New South Wales, 2464, Australia

This email was sent by Indya Mealing via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Indya provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Indya Mealing at *********.

Meaney, Paul – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 16:21:05

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Paul Meaney
Sent	25/05/2019 4:21:05 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Paul Meaney Minnie Water, New South Wales, 2462, Australia

This email was sent by Paul Meaney via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Paul provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Paul Meaney at *********.

Measday, Brian – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 20:16:05

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Brian Measday
Sent	28/05/2019 8:16:05 PM

No fracking please--it will be a disaster.

Brian Measday ************* SA 5064

Mecklenburgh, Richard - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 11:22:18

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Richard Mecklenburgh
Sent	24/05/2019 11:22:18 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Richard Mecklenburgh Seven Mile Beach, Tasmania, 7170, Australia

This email was sent by Richard Mecklenburgh via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Richard provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Richard Mecklenburgh at *********.

Medhat, Marjan – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 21:47:58

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Marjan Medhat
Sent	28/05/2019 9:47:58 PM

I'm a concerned citizen of the world. I respect the advice of the overwhelming majority of scientists around the world informing us of the consequences in continuing the business as usual practice of omitting carbon emissions to the environment.

This project is a threat to our safe climate future.

Origin's exploration well has the potential to lead to hundreds of Origin's shale gas wells in full production phase, and to the further development of Northern Territory's unconventional gas industry, which NT government sources have said could mean over 6000 gas wells.1 The gas industries' peak body, the Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association, has said there are over 200 trillion cubic feet of gas in the Northern Territory, which is the equivalent to 50 power stations operating for thirty years.2 We simply cannot afford such a climate disaster.

The fracking processes uses dangerous chemicals that represent a threat to human health, the natural environment and water sources.

Origin have provided a list of chemicals that will be stored and used on the site of their exploration well Many of these chemicals do not have available health data. These chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in the fracking processes.

The health and environmental risks of the dangerous chemicals used in the fracking processes are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks.

Origin is proposing using open tanks to store liquids that flow back after the fracking process, which will be millions of litres. This is in spite of the fact that the Northern Territory fracking inquiry recommended that all polluted water from the fracking process be stored in closed tanks to minimise risks to human life and the natural environment.4

There are serious concerns as to whether Traditional Owners have been able to provide free, prior and informed consent to the fracking process.

The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory stated that, 'Aboriginal people from regional communities who made submissions to the Panel almost universally expressed deep concern about, and strong opposition to, the development of any onshore shale gas industry on their country.'4 This included communities in the Beetaloo basin where this exploration well will be located. A report from the Jumbunna Institute at UTS, 5 has questioned whether communities have been provided adequate information about the fracking processes, leading to the conclusion that 'based on a review of publicly available information, the report finds that most – if not all – exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of free, prior and informed consent'. In this context it is not appropriate to proceed with the current exploration permit without further consultation.

This is all unacceptable.

This is not a best practice operation, it's not sustainable, and it's not a solution to an ever escalating problem.

We need to invest and explore environmentally sustainable sources of energy.

We need to wear the responsibility of our energy hungry civilizations now..... not later, when they are worse, and futile.

Marjan Medhat *******

Medway, Judy - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 17:20:24

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Judy Medway
Sent	24/05/2019 5:20:24 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Another concern is the destruction of the native bushland, native animals and Indigenous Australian sites of the area. The native Indigenous Australians have voiced their opinion that they are opposed to fracking and have been ignored. It is time for corporations to listen respectfully to Indigenous Australians and stop taking over sacred sites, stop destroying native habitat and killing animals environments they are dependent on for survival.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Judy Medway Bucketty, New South Wales, 2250, Australia

This email was sent by Judy Medway via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Judy provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Judy Medway at *********.

Meeke, Jennifer - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 11:57:34

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jennifer Meeke
Sent	26/05/2019 11:57:34 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jennifer Meeke

This email was sent by Jennifer Meeke via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jennifer provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jennifer Meeke at *********.

Meggitt, Richard – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:28:24

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Richard Meggitt
Sent	29/05/2019 3:28:24 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Richard Meggitt Yanchep, Western Australia, 6035, Australia

This email was sent by Richard Meggitt via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Richard provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Richard Meggitt at *********.

Megirian, Maggie – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:02:44

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Maggie Megirian
Sent	29/05/2019 12:02:44 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Maggie Megirian Glenorchy, Tasmania, 7010, Australia

This email was sent by Maggie Megirian via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Maggie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Maggie Megirian at *********.

Meijer, Michele - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 17:41:40

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Michele Meijer
Sent	23/05/2019 5:41:40 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Michele Meijer Highland Valley, South Australia, 5255, Australia

This email was sent by Michele Meijer via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Michele provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Michele Meijer at *********.

Meiklejohn, Lauren – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 12:16:23

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Lauren Meiklejohn
Sent	24/05/2019 12:16:23 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Lauren Meiklejohn Booyong, New South Wales, 2480, Australia

This email was sent by Lauren Meiklejohn via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Lauren provided an email address (********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lauren Meiklejohn at *********.

Melasti, Trish - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 13:18:13

Subject	I strongly object to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT.
From	Trish Melasti
Sent	24/05/2019 1:18:13 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my vigorous objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

This is an unwelcome development on many fronts. My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Trish Melasti Monbulk, Victoria, 3793, Australia

This email was sent by Trish Melasti via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Trish provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Trish Melasti at *********.

Meldrum, Michael - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 19:11:11

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Michael Meldrum
Sent	23/05/2019 7:11:11 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the Australian community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

- 4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.
- 5. I have five children and six grandchildren whose lives are in jeopardy from an unsurvivable climate due to the continued extraction of resources and industrial pollution of the earth. They deserve to have a chance to live the same as you and I.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Michael Meldrum Mount Murray, New South Wales, 2577, Australia

This email was sent by Michael Meldrum via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Michael provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Michael Meldrum at *********.

Meli, Domenic - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 13:32:08

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Domenic Meli
Sent	29/05/2019 1:32:08 PM

I object to fracking in this area due to its dangerous use of chemicals that represent a threat to human health, biodiversity and the environment.

Domenic Meli ************* NSW 2016

Mellers, Vandra – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 16:25:26

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Vandra Mellers
Sent	29/05/2019 4:25:26 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Vandra Mellers Hornsby, New South Wales, 2077, Australia

This email was sent by Vandra Mellers via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Vandra provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Vandra Mellers at *********.

Mellick, Elizabeth – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 05:00:57

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Elizabeth Mellick
Sent	25/05/2019 5:00:57 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Elizabeth Mellick Nightcliff, Northern Territory, 0810, Australia

This email was sent by Elizabeth Mellick via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Elizabeth provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Elizabeth Mellick at *********.

Mellick, Elizabeth – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 18:49:46

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Elizabeth Mellick
Sent	28/05/2019 6:49:46 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Elizabeth Mellick Nightcliff, Northern Territory, 0810, Australia

This email was sent by Elizabeth Mellick via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Elizabeth provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Elizabeth Mellick at *********.

MELLING, LEANNE - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 09:24:18

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	LEANNE MELLING
Sent	29/05/2019 9:24:18 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, LEANNE MELLING Alawa, Northern Territory, 0810, Australia

This email was sent by LEANNE MELLING via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however LEANNE provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to LEANNE MELLING at *********.

Mellmann, Oliver - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 09:22:41

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Oliver Mellmann
Sent	24/05/2019 9:22:41 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Oliver Mellmann Ringwood East, Victoria, 3135, Australia

This email was sent by Oliver Mellmann via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Oliver provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Oliver Mellmann at *********.

Melville, Ben – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 16:31:43

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Ben Melville
Sent	29/05/2019 4:31:43 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Ben Melville South Bunbury, Western Australia, 6230, Australia

This email was sent by Ben Melville via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Ben provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ben Melville at *********.

Mendizabal, Juan – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 16:35:18

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Juan Mendizabal
Sent	29/05/2019 4:35:18 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Juan Mendizabal

This email was sent by Juan Mendizabal via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Juan provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Juan Mendizabal at *********.

Menelaws, Lindsay – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 15:10:04

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Lindsay Menelaws
Sent	25/05/2019 3:10:04 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Lindsay Menelaws Milton, Queensland, 4064, Australia

This email was sent by Lindsay Menelaws via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Lindsay provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lindsay Menelaws at *********.

Menon, Rochelle – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 21:35:41

	Objection to Origin Energy's Environment Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and
	Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Rochelle Menon
Sent	28/05/2019 9:35:41 PM

I am concerned about origin energy plan to commence shale gas fracking in the Northern Territory for the following reasons

- 1. Traditional owners may not have been given adequate information regarding the effects of fracking on their land. Many of them are against this submission but I am concerned their voices are being ignored.
- 2. I am concerned about the effect of fracking on the water reserves in this area. Fracking poses a significant risk to water reserves that can become contaminated. With so much drought affecting Australia we can't afford for water reserves to be threatened
- 3. Climate change is likely to be worsened by fracking. We need to focus on protecting our environment for future generations. This submission is in complete contradiction to taking further steps to protect our environment from further effects of climate change. I want my son to grow up in a world that will sustain him. Many scientists are saying the world is at tipping point with regards to climate change. Please consider the need to preserve this world and it's finite resources for future generations instead of focusing on short term economic gains.

Thankyou
Dr Rochelle Menon

Rochelle Menon ************ WA 6065

Mensinga, Dean - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 14:00:17

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Dean Mensinga
Sent	25/05/2019 2:00:17 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Dean Mensinga Parkwood, Queensland, 4214, Australia

This email was sent by Dean Mensinga via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Dean provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Dean Mensinga at *********.

Mensinga, Gail – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 10:57:11

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Gail Mensinga
Sent	30/05/2019 10:57:11 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change. Our climate emergency is being recognised by many local councils & more are signing climate emergency declarations based on scientific facts and evidence of catastrophic consequences to our people and our planet.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Gail Mensinga Alstonville, New South Wales, 2477, Australia

This email was sent by Gail Mensinga via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Gail provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Gail Mensinga at *********.

Menzies, Melinda – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 13:47:03

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Melinda Menzies
Sent	25/05/2019 1:47:03 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Melinda Menzies Pottsville, New South Wales, 2489, Australia

This email was sent by Melinda Menzies via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Melinda provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Melinda Menzies at *********.

Mercer, Alisha – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 07:09:45

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Alisha Mercer
Sent	28/05/2019 7:09:45 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Alisha Mercer White Gums, Northern Territory, 0870, Australia

This email was sent by Alisha Mercer via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Alisha provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Alisha Mercer at *********.

Mercier, George – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 09:35:59

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	George Mercier
Sent	24/05/2019 9:35:59 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, george mercier Bondi, New South Wales, 2026, Australia

This email was sent by george mercier via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however george provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to george mercier at *********.

Mercier, George – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 09:59:48

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	George Mercier
Sent	29/05/2019 9:59:48 AM

stop wrecking our environment. fossil fuels are toxic when burnt. fracking and the extraction process does damage. we don't want you doing things that damage our environment. how many times do you need to be told.

George Mercier ************* NSW 2036

Meredith, Claire - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 08:07:07

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Claire Meredith
Sent	24/05/2019 8:07:07 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Claire Meredith Northam, Western Australia, 6401, Australia

This email was sent by Claire Meredith via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Claire provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Claire Meredith at *********.

Merrall, Tupito - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 11:18:31

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Tupito Merrall
Sent	29/05/2019 11:18:31 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.
- 4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning

chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Kind Regards Tupito Merrall

Hamilton, Queensland, 4007, Australia

This email was sent by Tupito Merrall via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Tupito provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Tupito Merrall at *********.

Merrett, Glen - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 08:36:23

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Glen Merrett
Sent	25/05/2019 8:36:23 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

FRACKING WASTE IS DANGEROUS

Hydrolic Fracturing causes damage to the water table and can lead to gas bubbling up through water which can kill all marine life and deposit Fracking Gas into the air, polluting our air, land and water.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Glen Merrett Tumbi Umbi, New South Wales, 2261, Australia

This email was sent by Glen Merrett via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Glen provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Glen Merrett at *********.

Messenger, Erin – Monday, 27 May 2019 – 10:11:02

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Erin Messenger
Sent	27/05/2019 10:11:02 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community who grew up in the NT, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Erin Messenger Yeppoon, Queensland, 4703, Australia

This email was sent by Erin Messenger via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Erin provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Erin Messenger at *********.

Mester, John – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 17:29:28

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	John Mester
Sent	23/05/2019 5:29:28 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

GOT KIDS? GOT GRANDKIDS? WHY BUL;LDOZE THEIR FUTURE OFF A CLIFF?

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, John Mester Clunes, New South Wales, 2480, Australia

This email was sent by John Mester via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however John provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to John Mester at *********.

Mestern, Natalie – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 22:15:40

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Natalie Mestern
Sent	29/05/2019 10:15:40 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Natalie Mestern Rosemeadow, New South Wales, 2560, Australia

This email was sent by Natalie Mestern via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Natalie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Natalie Mestern at *********.

Methven, Jane - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 13:49:31

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jane Methven
Sent	30/05/2019 1:49:31 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As an Australian, and having followed this matter, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. This is well documented by the IPCC an other scientific sources.

Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.

It is a short-sighted solition to problems that many other countries are overcoming by alternative means. It deprives our future generations of their heritage.

2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4].

This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream. The risk is unacceptable.

3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the

absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks.

There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I speak for future generations who will, for many years to come, be dealing with the rushed decisions of this era that had far better alternatives.

My heart breaks for the children's future lives, the many species lost and the beauty of our land we are so carelessly destroying by hasty development and by coninuing to add CO2 to the atmosphere and ocean.

We are not trying hard enough to turn to alternatives that are less destructive. Nor are we utilizing the available knowledge of innovators. We must do better for the children now. Greed is killing our country.

I wait with very serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jane Methven Urangan, Queensland, 4655, Australia

This email was sent by Jane Methven via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jane provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jane Methyen at *********.

Metlikovec, Ceara – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 12:09:20

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Ceara Metlikovec
Sent	24/05/2019 12:09:20 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Ceara Metlikovec Haymarket, New South Wales, 2000, Australia

This email was sent by Ceara Metlikovec via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Ceara provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ceara Metlikovec at *********.

Metlikovec, Ceara - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 19:04:34

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Ceara Metlikovec
Sent	28/05/2019 7:04:34 PM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to the left to guide your submission.

Ceara Metlikovec ************* NSW 2031

Metter, Liv – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:01:27

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Liv Metter
Sent	29/05/2019 1:01:27 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Liv Metter Elsternwick, Victoria, 3185, Australia

This email was sent by Liv Metter via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Liv provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Liv Metter at *********.

Mewett, Amanda – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 19:13:03

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Amanda Mewett
Sent	25/05/2019 7:13:03 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Amanda Mewett Woodside, South Australia, 5244, Australia

This email was sent by Amanda Mewett via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Amanda provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Amanda Mewett at *********.

Meyer, Carole – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 14:34:14

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Carole Meyer
Sent	29/05/2019 2:34:14 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Carole Meyer Hollywell, Queensland, 4216, Australia

This email was sent by Carole Meyer via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Carole provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Carole Meyer at *********.

Meyer, Emma - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 09:01:34

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Emma Meyer
Sent	30/05/2019 9:01:34 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Emma Meyer Hendra, Queensland, 4011, Australia

This email was sent by Emma Meyer via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Emma provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Emma Meyer at *********.

Mezzino, Diane - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 21:26:40

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Diane Mezzino
Sent	23/05/2019 9:26:40 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Diane Mezzino Dalmeny, New South Wales, 2546, Australia

This email was sent by Diane Mezzino via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Diane provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Diane Mezzino at *********.

Mezzino, Diane - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 11:30:18

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Diane Mezzino
Sent	24/05/2019 11:30:18 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Diane Mezzino Wadbilliga, New South Wales, 2546, Australia

This email was sent by Diane Mezzino via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Diane provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Diane Mezzino at *********.

Miano, Cat - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 21:16:21

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Cat Miano
Sent	29/05/2019 9:16:21 PM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

Cat Miano ************* NSW 2482

Micevski, Natalie - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 09:42:28

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Natalie Micevski
Sent	24/05/2019 9:42:28 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

Below is the statement letter I send to you, but before that is read I want to add my own personal appeal on this matter.

Community resistance across the world has rallied to slow, halt and stop the fracking industry with mass support across grassroots and NGO networks. This will continue in Australia and despite being a community member that lives in Melbourne, I will continue to support all actions against Origin and their negligence in not properly, transparently and respectfully consulting and listening to the community members the fracking plans directly affect. This will include divestment of their energy supplies within my own personal networks as well as supporting campaigns that draws attention to the plans of fracking in the NT.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. Fracking poses a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land.

The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Natalie Micevski Epping, Victoria, 3076, Australia

This email was sent by Natalie Micevski via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Natalie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Natalie Micevski at *********.

Michael, Ali – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 21:34:25

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Ali Michael
Sent	29/05/2019 9:34:25 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Please think about our future!

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Ali Michael Brompton, South Australia, 5007, Australia

This email was sent by Ali Michael via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Ali provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ali Michael at *********.

Michael, Glenn - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:18:49

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Glenn Michael
Sent	23/05/2019 6:18:49 PM

To whom it may concern - the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change. Any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I also write as a father of 2 kids who is shit scared of the climate crisis of which we are in the early and mild stages. Something bad this way comes and if you allow fracking to go ahead you will be ushering it in.

I await your response to these matters.

Sincerely

Glenn

This email was sent by Glenn Michael via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Glenn provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Glenn Michael at *********.

Michaelides, Chloe - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 11:26:27

Subject	Don't Frack the NTs Future!!
From	Chloe Michaelides
Sent	30/05/2019 11:26:27 AM

Hi there,

I strongly object to the proposed fracking in the Northern Territory as it will affect the health and environmental safety of the region and the future of the Northern Territory's water supply. We should be investing in renewable energy sources, not dangerous sources such as fracking which will create harmful waste in the future. The proposed use of open wells by Origin addditionally exposes the waste to the environment, which is very dangerous and should be stopped!!

Have the traditional owners been consulted on this? Have they approved? I highly doubt it!!

Chloe Michaelides, Brighton VIC 3186

Chloe Michaelides

VIC 3188

Michaelson, Veronica – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 17:36:19

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Veronica Michaelson
Sent	23/05/2019 5:36:19 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Veronica Michaelson

This email was sent by Veronica Michaelson via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Veronica provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Veronica Michaelson at *********.

Michail, Nikki - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 07:13:42

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Nikki Michail
Sent	30/05/2019 7:13:42 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Nik Michail Torquay, Queensland, 4655, Australia

This email was sent by Nikki Michail via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Nikki provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Nikki Michail at *********.

Michau, Michelle - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 19:53:52

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Michelle Michau
Sent	24/05/2019 7:53:52 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Michelle Michau Walliebum, Queensland, 4655, Australia

This email was sent by Michelle Michau via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Michelle provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Michelle Michau at *********.

Michel, Barbara - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 18:05:06

Subject	What the heck is going on? I have a juge objection to Origin's fracking at all!
From	Barbara Michel
Sent	26/05/2019 6:05:06 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

Fracking has been banned throughout the world... developed countries. This puts Australia smack dab in the undeveloped countries grouping.

Why is fracking banned? The damage it does to the earth. The damaged water table, the air, the rivers on fire... it's a science fiction nightmare.

Chemical companies are raking in huge profits for their products that are destroying the 'natural order of things'. GMO everything, bigger and prettier fruit with less taste and many trace elements that we should not be ingesting. They can no longer be trusted, greed is not good.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

I stopped being an Origin customer years ago for many reasons but two tipping points: a) Origin was found to be at the lowest end of a 'green scale'. I will not support companies who do not support healing the earth... and b) the lack of customer service, horrible customer service. It felt as though mistreating customers was a great way to get us to stop complaining for poor service.

Stop. Just stop. Pick up your courtesy and begin to show respect. First for your own dignity. Show respect for your customers and for the greater gift of mankind. Show respect for the earth. It's not too late.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Barbara Michel Ballina, New South Wales, 2478, Australia

This email was sent by Barbara Michel via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Barbara provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Barbara Michel at *********.

Michener, Hayley - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 14:37:18

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Hayley Michener
Sent	30/05/2019 2:37:18 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Hayley Michener Gillen, Northern Territory, 0870, Australia

This email was sent by Hayley Michener via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Hayley provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Hayley Michener at *********.

Middle, David - Thursday, 30 May 2019

Subject	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Middle, David
Sent	Thursday, 30 May 2019

See Next page

Onshore Petroleum Assessment PO Box 3675 Darwin NT 0801

Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan. I submit the accompanying comments regards the proposed operations at Kyalla.

Regards

David Liddle

Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

The EMP is misleading. In Section 2.3 Alignment with the Principles of Ecologically Sustainable Development (ESD) the proponent states:

"The activities that are the subject of the EMP do not constitute threats of serious or irreversible environmental damage and there is no impact on the conservation of biological diversity and ecological integrity:"

This is clearly misleading to state there is no impact on the conservation of biological diversity when the proposal includes: disturbance to the local area and inadequate plans to deal with environmental weeds; there is open air storage of waste water in a dry environment where this open water will attract birds and other animals; there are an array of chemicals used in fracking including surfactants which will impact on birds; there is a small area of land clearing that will contribute to the ongoing modification of the native vegetation of the Beetaloo Basin; the proposal includes people, activities and "flaring" in a fire prone environment that inevitably will have some impact on the fire regime. The proposal does pose a threat to the ecological integrity of the project area. To pretend that there is no cumulative impact on the conservation of biological diversity and ecological integrity arising from the establishment and operation of a few wells is simply not true.

With regard to **Section 3.16 Weed Management**:

A weed management plan will be submitted to DENR. The weed management plan will be implemented.

The intent of the proponent to develop and implement a weed management plan is applauded, however, this plan has not been made available for public comment and there is no indication the plan will be made available. Invasive species are a significant influence in the modification of Australian landscapes and major factor threatening plants and animals in Australia (Sheppard and Broadhurst 2019). The failure to make public and provide public accountability for weed management is a serious gap in transparency. Transparency is an important principle included in the recommendations of the Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Pepper *et al.* 2018).

The traditional primary focus of weed management activities of organisations such as DENR is on declared weeds, however, there are serious environmental weeds in the NT that are not declared. Buffel grass, *Cenchrus ciliaris*, is not a declared weed in the NT, but is recognised as an ecosystem changing environmental weed. There is a buffel grass management guide downloadable from the NT Government web site (DENR undated), however, the mechanism for management of Buffel Grass along with other non-declared environmental weeds in relation to the proposed activity has not been addressed in the EMP.

Furthermore, this lack of transparency regards weeds is proposed at a time when in the April 2019 NT Government response to the "Root and Branch" review, a savings of \$3,000 per year was

announced by discontinuing the NT Weed Risk Assessment Committee. In the past this committee has provided a mechanism for objective assessment of weed risk and a forum for debate over conflict species such as Gamba Grass and Perennial Mission Grass. Without such debate there is little opportunity and no mechanism available to resolve the conflict that occurs with species that are valued by one section of society but have the potential for an overwhelming negative impact on society as a whole. This move by the NT Government suggests the capacity of our society to address environmental weeds is eroding. This erosion in combination with the lack of transparency reflected in the EMP does little to instil confidence that the environmental impact of weeds that arises out of the proposed project will be adequately addressed.

I request that prior to approval for any further on-ground activities the proposed weed management plan is made public and the public has an opportunity to comment. The plan should include consideration of environmental weeds, post-mining management, transparency and public accountability.

Declared weed outbreaks will be notified to DENR.

Good that declared weeds will be notified, however, request commitment to eradicate declared and non-declared weeds introduced by this activity, with broad details of how this may be undertaken. While the required response may vary between species there will be general steps applicable. A plan could have appendices including information for a selection of potential weeds including control techniques, follow-up monitoring and the period observed as weed free before considered as eradicated. Much of this style of information is already available from Weeds Branch, however, what the proponent may or may not undertake is not clear.

Section 4.1 Physical Environment.

A Land condition Assessment (LCA) was completed in August 2018 to gather baseline information on the current physical environment within the proposed activity area.

Appendix B, Section 2.2 Field Assessment and Reporting- field assessment undertaken 28 to 29 August 2018.

An August survey would have been insensitive to annual or seasonal plants that grow in the wet season. Thus inadequate baseline data exists to either assess impact or guide rehabilitation. This situation is accentuated by the low number of records of biodiversity information for the project area and surrounding lands.

Appendix B: 3.5.4.1 Threatened Fauna

No core habitat for threatened fauna was identified at the sites. However, some species may possibly occur and are known to occur in the wider landscape. Threatened species that may possibly occur include: Gouldian Finch ... and Crested Shrike-tit (northern)...

The use of open waste water storage pits may well act as an attractant for birds such as the threatened Gouldian Finch. Open waste water storage also poses a potential attractant and thus threat to the migratory Curlew Sandpiper which is listed as vulnerable in the NT.

The proximity to Lake Woods means the general area is a place where water birds congregate. The construction of open waste water pits will undoubtedly attract birds. The chemicals used in the fracking process include surfactants which are highly likely to have a negative impact on the plumage and thus health of birds. This threat extends to not just threatened species, but more generally to birds of the region. The impact of chemical laden waste water is highly likely to impact on other fauna too.

Furthermore, open water pits provide a potential breeding place for cane toads, unless of course the water is too toxic for toads to breed. If such toxicity occurs, then the open water will be injurious for native wildlife. As a resident of Darwin I have witnessed a collapse of the population of large goannas with the arrival and breeding of cane toads.

A solution to this issue is to conform with the expectation arising from the final fracking report (Pepper *et al.* 2019) for enclosed tanks for waste storage.

Section 2. Environmental Legislation and other Requirements

Table 3: Codes of practice and relevant guidelines includes reference to the NT Land clearing Guidelines (NRETAS 2010), however, this document is out of date with a new version released in 2019.

References

DENR (undated) Buffel Grass management guide for central Australia.

https://nt.gov.au/ data/assets/pdf file/0017/231416/buffel-grass-management-guide-2018.pdf (Accessed 27 May 2019)

Pepper *et al.* (2018) The Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory. https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/ (Accessed 27 May 2019)

Sheppard, A. and Broadhurst, L. (2019) Invasive species are Australia's number-one extinction threat. The Conversation 10 May 2019. https://theconversation.com/invasive-species-are-australias-number-one-extinction-threat-116809 (Accessed 30 May 2019).

Middleton, Mollie – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 10:52:50

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Mollie Middleton
Sent	30/05/2019 10:52:50 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Mollie Middleton Mindarie, Western Australia, 6030, Australia

This email was sent by Mollie Middleton via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Mollie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Mollie Middleton at *********.

Midkiff, Jen - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 15:15:45

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jen Midkiff
Sent	28/05/2019 3:15:45 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP.

In my view, risks associated with the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory could very well have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our land and water.

I understand that Indigenous peoples of the areas in question have not been properly consulted. These communities and individuals with deep and ancient connection with country are significant stakeholders. Impacts on their direct health and wellbeing must be considered.

In the larger view, this is a time when we should, more appropriately, be rapidly decarbonising the global economy and energy system. Our shared future is affected by our human actions causing changes to our global climate, as made clear to anyone who can see the polar ice caps dwindling.

I am seriously concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. We must ensure that our natural resources are not further contaminated through processes and substances required for extraction.

I strongly object to the approval of this EMP. Any plans for this proposed drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstance.

I wait with for your response to these matters.

Yours sincerely,

Jen Midkiff Corinda, Queensland, 4075, Australia

This email was sent by Jen Midkiff via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jen provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jen Midkiff at **********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co

To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Mifsud, Elizabeth - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 10:02:33

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Elizabeth Mifsud
Sent	30/05/2019 10:02:33 AM

To the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters. Yours sincerely

Dr Elizabeth Mifsud

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Elizabeth Mifsud via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Elizabeth provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Elizabeth Mifsud at *********.

Mikocki-Bleeker, Nikkola – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 16:38:34

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Nikkola Mikocki-Bleeker
Sent	24/05/2019 4:38:34 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Nikkola Mikocki-Bleeker

This email was sent by Nikkola Mikocki-Bleeker via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Nikkola provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Nikkola Mikocki-Bleeker at *********.

Milburn, Lynn-Maree – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:15:21

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Lynn-Maree Milburn
Sent	29/05/2019 1:15:21 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Lynn-Maree Milburn St Kilda, Victoria, 3182, Australia

This email was sent by Lynn-Maree Milburn via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Lynn-Maree provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lynn-Maree Milburn at *********.

Miles, Helen – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 23:50:03

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Helen Miles
Sent	23/05/2019 11:50:03 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Helen Miles Frederickton, New South Wales, 2440, Australia

This email was sent by Helen Miles via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Helen provided an email address (***********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Helen Miles at *********.

Milham, Todd - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 11:51:44

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Todd Milham
Sent	29/05/2019 11:51:44 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Todd Milham Oxley, Queensland, 4075, Australia

This email was sent by Todd Milham via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Todd provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Todd Milham at *********.

Millar, Cre - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 12:55:09

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Cre Millar
Sent	29/05/2019 12:55:09 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Cre Millar Myaree, Western Australia, 6154, Australia

This email was sent by Cre Millar via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Cre provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Cre Millar at *********.

Millar, Gabrielle – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 18:42:10

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Gabrielle Millar
Sent	28/05/2019 6:42:10 PM

Hello.

I am writing to express my strong objection to fracking in any form as an energy source for our country. It's hard to believe this needs further explanation as the environmental horrors of fracking are well documented. Please respect the wishes of the traditional owners and the concerns of other Australians like myself. I hope the NT government will not be influenced to prioritise economic gain over the needs of human and environmental health. I ask all involved to stand firm for the good of our amazing country and it's water. Be a model for the rest of the world. Thankyou. Gabrielle Millar

Gabrielle Millar

VIC 3218

Millar, Ken – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 06:43:48

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Ken Millar
Sent	29/05/2019 6:43:48 AM

My concerns about shale gas fracking in the NT easily could be dismissed as those of someone living in Sydney, but I am nevertheless an Australian. I am also at least a little familiar with the Top End having driven through it two years ago on a Variety Bash, and saw first hand the objections of remote communities to fracking.

I share these grave reservations, firstly as to fugitive methane emissions and their magnified effect on global warming, but more importantly the risk to water tables and aquifers the Top End is so dependant on for communities and cattle stations, and finally the diabolical issue of the toxic waste chemicals from the fracking process. Why risk all this for the extremely short term gas resource? How about instead looking to the future and developing clean renewable energy sources, where the NT could be a true energy powerhouse?

Regards Ken Millar Cronulla

Ken Millar ************* NSW 2230

Millar, Ranald – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 00:56:52

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Ranald Millar
Sent	30/05/2019 12:56:52 AM

I realise that fracking is being carried out world wide and big business money talks all languages however fracking is the scariest agenda since the atom bomb and poor practices/use of uranium. We should be leaders in not carrying out this practice. for profits those large companies are willing to risk our childrens future. I have 5 children and 9 grandchildren and would like to believe their future is safe from the planet exploding as well as helping prevent climate change. we were all told that generation of uranium was extremely safe but consider the disasters already in just a few decades and there is storage issues, there is strong scientific evidence, as usual, against FRACKING but we blunder cause big multinational coerce governments with their own interests and science innuendo, take other really "safe" options that destroys people & our planet such as asbestos, glyphosate, ddt radio waves etc that were found to be the opposite to "Safe". Please dont let Origon or any other organisation carry out that practice. The chemicals used are way worse than Monsato Glyphosate. Even your own recomendations want the poisonous water (from extraction)want it stored to reduce risks to humans.

I strongly urge you to not allow this "development" and I object to such practices.

Millar, Sharon – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:15:41

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sharon Millar
Sent	29/05/2019 11:15:41 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sharon Millar Tea Tree Gully, South Australia, 5091, Australia

This email was sent by Sharon Millar via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Sharon provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sharon Millar at *********.

Miller, Anna – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 11:51:27

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Anna Miller
Sent	24/05/2019 11:51:27 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Anna Miller Roseville, New South Wales, 2069, Australia

This email was sent by Anna Miller via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Anna provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Anna Miller at *********.

Miller, Brian - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 19:07:36

Subject	ObjectionNO FRACKING to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Brian Miller
Sent	28/05/2019 7:07:36 PM

Write your submission here - use our talkNO FRACKING STUFF ORIGIN'S GREED.ing points to the left to guide your submission.

brian miller ************* SA 5072

Miller, Bronwyn - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 07:44:47

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Bronwyn Miller
Sent	25/05/2019 7:44:47 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Bronwyn Miller Australia

This email was sent by Bronwyn Miller via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Bronwyn provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Bronwyn Miller at *********.

Miller, Bronwyn - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 08:31:52

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Bronwyn Miller
Sent	29/05/2019 8:31:52 AM

Fracking contaminates precious water. Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

Miller, Clare – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 07:23:38

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Clare Miller
Sent	29/05/2019 7:23:38 AM

We're all busy people here so I'll keep this short. Fracking is dangerous, destructive and unacceptable. Do not bring this horrendous practice to the NT and be known as the people who destroyed the Top End. Because that will be the result, plain and simple. "Jobs" are not worth lives or the environment.

Invest in renewables and innovation, not life-wrecking practices that have poisoned and killed too many already.

Miller, David - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 13:07:18

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	David Miller
Sent	24/05/2019 1:07:18 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, David Miller

This email was sent by David Miller via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however David provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to David Miller at *********.

Miller, Jacqui - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 10:41:38

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jacqui Miller
Sent	26/05/2019 10:41:38 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jacqui Miller Surfers Paradise, Queensland, 4217, Australia

This email was sent by Jacqui Miller via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jacqui provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jacqui Miller at *********.

Miller, Julia – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:50:58

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Julia Miller
Sent	29/05/2019 12:50:58 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I look forward to hearing from you regarding these important matters.

Yours sincerely, Julia Miller Adelaide, South Australia, 5000, Australia

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Julia Miller via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Julia provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Julia Miller at *********.

Miller, Louisa – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 14:52:47

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Louisa Miller
Sent	24/05/2019 2:52:47 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Louisa Miller

This email was sent by Louisa Miller via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Louisa provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Louisa Miller at *********.

Miller, Peter – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 19:12:46

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Peter Miller
Sent	29/05/2019 7:12:46 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), FOLLOWING IS A SUBMISSION LAYING OUT KNOWN REASON NOT TO FRACK, BUT NO ONE CAN GUARANTEE A FAULTLESS WAY TO CARRY OUT THIS PROCESS, WITHOUT SOME DAMAGE TO THE ENVIRONMENT, SO PLEASE CONSIDER YOUR CHILDRENS FUTURE, RATHER THAN THE TAINTED MONEY THAT MAY RESULT FROM THIS DODGY PROCESS.

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin

Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by peter miller via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however peter provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to peter miller at *********.

Miller, Sarah – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 16:34:43

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sarah Miller
Sent	25/05/2019 4:34:43 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

I have visited the Northern Territory on many occasions. As a birdwatcher I find its waterways and bird life unique and precious. Too precious to lose to fracking!.

I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country.

Aboriginal voices are undermined again and again. This is not OK.

IF this EMP is approved we know that the Beetaloo Basin would be regarded as "open for business". Right now we need to drastically reduce our carbon emissions. We need to follow the lead of other countries declaring climate emergencies, but this would make the climate crisis far worse. Such an expansion of the gas industry, will potentially lead to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond. For Climate Change effects us all.

- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the

Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286

- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sarah Miller Carnegie, Victoria, 3163, Australia

This email was sent by Sarah Miller via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Sarah provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sarah Miller at *********.

Miller, Susanna – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 08:29:56

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Susanna Miller
Sent	29/05/2019 8:29:56 AM

If you agree to Origon Energy to drill and mine on Aboriginal Land you are allowing another abuse of land that does not belong to you. These kinds of energies are a thing of the past.

Susanna Miller ************ NSW 2293

Miller, Tayla - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 11:35:21

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Tayla Miller
Sent	30/05/2019 11:35:21 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a young member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. It is requested that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission as a young, Australian citizen, in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I have only been alive 18 years and in this time I have seen countless disrespect to aboriginal communities, despite also seeing a national apology. I have seen ecosystems collapse and billions of fundamental species go extinct. I ask that you take our concerns seriously, for the future of myself and all young people across the country, especially those in aboriginal communities will be severely impacted.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286

- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Tayla Miller Elanora, Queensland, 4221, Australia

This email was sent by Tayla Miller via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Tayla provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Tayla Miller at *********.

Millhouse, Sasha - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 13:54:10

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sasha Millhouse
Sent	24/05/2019 1:54:10 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sasha Millhouse Preston, Victoria, 3072, Australia

This email was sent by Sasha Millhouse via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Sasha provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sasha Millhouse at *********.

Millikin, Marie – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 16:12:33

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Marie Millikin
Sent	29/05/2019 4:12:33 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Marie Millikin Port Elliot, South Australia, 5212, Australia

This email was sent by Marie Millikin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Marie provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Marie Millikin at *********.

Milling, Judy - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 08:33:19

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Judy Milling
Sent	24/05/2019 8:33:19 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Judy <0;; Noraville, New South Wales, 2263, Australia

This email was sent by Judy Milling via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Judy provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Judy Milling at *********.

Millington, Elizabeth – Monday, 27 May 2019 – 10:38:08

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Elizabeth Millington
Sent	27/05/2019 10:38:08 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Elizabeth Millington The Slopes, New South Wales, 2754, Australia

This email was sent by Elizabeth Millington via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Elizabeth provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Elizabeth Millington at *********.

Millington, Kay – Sunday, 26 May 2019 – 08:39:38

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Kay Millington
Sent	26/05/2019 8:39:38 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Kay Millington Gisborne, Victoria, 3437, Australia

This email was sent by Kay Millington via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Kay provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kay Millington at *********.

Millington, Kay - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 19:42:11

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Kay Millington
Sent	28/05/2019 7:42:11 PM

I implore the government of the N.T. to reject Origin's fracking well.W he Indigenous people are opposed to fracking on their land. Iy would be a climate disaster, destroying country and water. We also need to respect the wishes of the indigenous people, afterall it is their country.rite your submission here - use our talking points to the left to guide your submission.

Kay Millington

VIC 3437

Millington, Liz – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 09:36:33

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Liz Millington
Sent	29/05/2019 9:36:33 AM

Dear Madam/Sir

I wish to lodge an objection to the environmental management plan for the proposed Origin Energy Kyalla 2019 fracking program. Firstly, because open pond storage of polluted water is proposed against recommendations for closed tanks made by the NT enquiry into fracking. With likely increased severe weather events and flooding in this area this is surely an unacceptable risk to the environment.

Secondly, it seems that the local traditional owners did not receive adequate and free advice about the possible environmental impacts of this venture.

Lastly, extraction and use of shale gas across the Northern Territory will contribute immensely to carbon emissions - a disaster we cannot afford.

Yours sincerely Liz Millington 26 Claughton Road Largs Bay 5016

Milloss, Cheryl - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 20:37:39

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Cheryl Milloss
Sent	23/05/2019 8:37:39 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Cheryl Milloss via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ***************, however Cheryl provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Cheryl Milloss at *********.

Mills, Miranda – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 10:27:14

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Miranda Mills
Sent	29/05/2019 10:27:14 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Miranda Mills via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Miranda provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Miranda Mills at *********.

Mills, Ric – Monday, 27 May 2019 – 14:13:53

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Ric Mills
Sent	27/05/2019 2:13:53 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Ric Mills Peregian Springs, Queensland, 4573, Australia

This email was sent by Ric Mills via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Ric provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ric Mills at *********.

Mills, Richard – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 22:43:47

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Richard Mills
Sent	28/05/2019 10:43:47 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Richard Mills Herbert, Northern Territory, 0836, Australia

This email was sent by Richard Mills via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Richard provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Richard Mills at *********.

MILLS, SANDRA - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 21:03:47

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	SANDRA MILLS
Sent	26/05/2019 9:03:47 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, SANDRA MILLS Red Head, New South Wales, 2430, Australia

This email was sent by SANDRA MILLS via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however SANDRA provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to SANDRA MILLS at *********.

Mills, Steve – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:49:01

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Steve Mills
Sent	29/05/2019 3:49:01 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Steve Mills Kinross, Western Australia, 6028, Australia

This email was sent by Steve Mills via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Steve provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Steve Mills at *********.

Milne, Natasha – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:19:59

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Natasha Milne
Sent	29/05/2019 11:19:59 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Natasha Milne

This email was sent by Natasha Milne via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Natasha provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Natasha Milne at *********.

Milne, Roy – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 16:37:59

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Roy Milne
Sent	29/05/2019 4:37:59 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Roy Milne

This email was sent by Roy Milne via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Roy provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Roy Milne at *********.

Milner, Elizabeth - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 08:57:54

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Elizabeth Milner
Sent	30/05/2019 8:57:54 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

in am writing today to object to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and throughout Australia. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Elizabeth Milner

This email was sent by Elizabeth Milner via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Elizabeth provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Elizabeth Milner at *********.

Milthorpe, Ange – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 09:47:00

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Ange Milthorpe
Sent	30/05/2019 9:47:00 AM

Aboriginal traditional owners do not want their lands fracked.

Australia is behind the times by not moving forward with renewable energies and continuing to destroy this landscape. Fracking may put dangerous chemicals into groundwater. This is why it has been banned in sensible parts of the world eg Ireland.

This email was sent by Ange Milthorpe via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Ange provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ange Milthorpe at *********.

Milton, Geraldine – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 14:24:08

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Geraldine Milton
Sent	24/05/2019 2:24:08 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

I used to be a remote area nurse in Borolloolla in the NT, which is one if the areas that fracking has been proposed. When I worked there many years ago, the MacArthur river was pristine and the local fishing industry was thriving. When the tailing dam at MacArthur mine broke, it severely contaminated the river leading to fish kills and increasing numbers of mutated fish. This environmental damage continues, and it has had a negative impact on the health and welfare of the local Aboriginal community. Now fracking in this and other regions in the NT has been proposed, against the wishes of the indigenous owners of the land, and they have rightly been protesting about this over the last 2+ years.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Geraldine Milton (M. Bioethics. Monash)

This email was sent by Geraldine Milton via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Geraldine provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Geraldine Milton at *********.

Mina, Yolande - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 17:39:30

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Yolande Mina
Sent	23/05/2019 5:39:30 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Yolande Mina Thornbury, Victoria, 3071, Australia

This email was sent by Yolande Mina via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Yolande provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Yolande Mina at *********.

Minchin, Alice - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 07:19:42

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Alice Minchin
Sent	26/05/2019 7:19:42 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Alice Minchin Camperdown, New South Wales, 2050, Australia

This email was sent by Alice Minchin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Alice provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Alice Minchin at *********.

Mis, Nat - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:28:05

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Nat Mis
Sent	23/05/2019 6:28:05 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Nat Mis

This email was sent by Nat Mis via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *********, however Nat provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Nat Mis at *********.

Missingham, David – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:07:03

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	David Missingham
Sent	29/05/2019 1:07:03 PM

To the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the World, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the World.

The Northern Territory is only one place already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1].

The World is experiencing: extreme weather, conditions leading to heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding.

The expansion of the gas industry could lead to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the World.

2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3]

Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.

- 3. Origin Energy has failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land.
- 4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high

pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

I write this submission in support of the many people who are concerned about the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, David Missingham

This email was sent by David Missingham via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however David provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to David Missingham at *********.

Mistilis, Kia - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 18:34:11

Subject	Scientific evidence about the climate crisis underpins my objection to Origin's Kyalla
	frack site in the NT.
From	Kia Mistilis
Sent	30/05/2019 6:34:11 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

But firstI would like to state the overriding reason I object to new gas fields being developed in NT is due to the Climate Crisis.

Mining for gas or "fracking" results in methane leakage. In addition, gas-processing and compressing plants also emit methane into the atmosphere - a greenhouse gas much more potent than CO2 which has a lifespan of 100 years. These are facts now backed by authoritative international studies. Please listen to the science on climate change and gas. It is unconscionable at this juncture of the climate crisis to even contemplate new gas projects.

And even if we were not facing a climate crisis requiring urgent action, fracking or unconventional shoe gas mining, is an inherently polluting technology which inevitably pollutes and contaminates land, water and air.

Australia is the driest continent in the world. Much of the NT is already arid or desert. Therefore our water tables, the Great Artesian Basin and overland river and creek systems must be protected.

Alongside the climate crisis which requires immediate action towards renewables and away from fossil fuels, my specific objections to fracking in the NT are:

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Kia Mistilis Paddington, New South Wales, 2021, Australia

This email was sent by Kia Mistilis via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Kia provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kia Mistilis at *********.

Mitcham, David - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 09:45:43

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	David Mitcham
Sent	25/05/2019 9:45:43 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP

The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

This email was sent by David Mitcham via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ***********, however David provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to David Mitcham at *********.

Mitchard, Helen – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 12:14:02

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Helen Mitchard
Sent	28/05/2019 12:14:02 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

In addition I think that consideration of this so far shows an insufficiently long term focus.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Helen Mitchard Flagstaff Hill, South Australia, 5159, Australia

This email was sent by Helen Mitchard via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Helen provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Helen Mitchard at *********.

Mitchell, Adele - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 16:00:54

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Adele Mitchell
Sent	24/05/2019 4:00:54 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Adele Mitchell Paterson NSW 2421 Australia

This email was sent by Adele Mitchell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Adele provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Adele Mitchell at *********.

Mitchell, Alison – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:38:30

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Alison Mitchell
Sent	29/05/2019 1:38:30 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue. Although I live in the state of Victoria, I am a global citizen, just like you.

I am also an environmental scientist and sustainability professional and I am increasingly concerned about the state of our planet, our only home, and the apparent lack of understanding and consideration in decision-making of our inherent interdependence on a healthy environment. Consequently, I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land.

The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Alison Mitchell Wodonga, Victoria, 3690, Australia

This email was sent by Alison Mitchell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Alison provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Alison Mitchell at *********.

Mitchell, Brecan – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 22:02:10

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Brecan Mitchell
Sent	28/05/2019 10:02:10 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Brecan Mitchell Kew East, Victoria, 3102, Australia

This email was sent by Brecan Mitchell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Brecan provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Brecan Mitchell at *********.

Mitchell, Carolyn - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 21:30:42

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Carolyn Mitchell
Sent	28/05/2019 9:30:42 PM

Please reject Origin's fracking well for the sake of our beautiful country and hence the world.

Carolyn Mitchell

NSW 2107

Mitchell, Cheryl - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 20:03:46

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Cheryl Mitchell
Sent	25/05/2019 8:03:46 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Cheryl Mitchell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Cheryl provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Cheryl Mitchell at *********.

Mitchell, Donna – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:02:18

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Donna Mitchell
Sent	29/05/2019 11:02:18 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Donna Mitchell Broadford, Victoria, 3658, Australia

This email was sent by Donna Mitchell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Donna provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Donna Mitchell at *********.

Mitchell, Grace - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 12:43:15

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Grace Mitchell
Sent	30/05/2019 12:43:15 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Gracd Mitchell Tallebudgera, Queensland, 4228, Australia

This email was sent by Grace Mitchell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Grace provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Grace Mitchell at *********.

Mitchell, Jan - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 20:38:13

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jan Mitchell
Sent	23/05/2019 8:38:13 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jan Mitchell Warrnambool, Victoria, 3280, Australia

This email was sent by Jan Mitchell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jan provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jan Mitchell at *********.

Mitchell, Jan - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 15:07:31

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Jan Mitchell
Sent	26/05/2019 3:07:31 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Jan Mitchell Warrnambool, Victoria, 3280, Australia

This email was sent by Jan Mitchell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jan provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jan Mitchell at *********.

Mitchell, Kiri – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 05:44:04

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Kiri Mitchell
Sent	24/05/2019 5:44:04 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Kiri Mitchell

This email was sent by Kiri Mitchell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Kiri provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kiri Mitchell at *********.

Mitchell, Lisa - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 15:00:19

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Lisa Mitchell
Sent	30/05/2019 3:00:19 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

My role as a successful songwriter and performer in Australia has given me so much from the people of this country, and I ask you to respect our land now in refraining from this harmful and irreversible hydraulic fracturing.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin

Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Lisa Mitchell Carlton North, Victoria, 3054, Australia

This email was sent by Lisa Mitchell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Lisa provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lisa Mitchell at *********.

Mitchell, Michele – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 20:35:58

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Michele Mitchell
Sent	29/05/2019 8:35:58 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Michele Mitchell Corrimal, New South Wales, 2518, Australia

This email was sent by Michele Mitchell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Michele provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Michele Mitchell at *********.

Mitchell, Neil - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 13:30:57

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Neil Mitchell
Sent	28/05/2019 1:30:57 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, neil mitchell Summerlands, Victoria, 3922, Australia

This email was sent by neil mitchell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however neil provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to neil mitchell at *********.

Mitchell, Penny – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 10:36:21

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Penny Mitchell
Sent	29/05/2019 10:36:21 AM

I object to this project and don't believe it should go ahead. While I live in Bega NSW 2550 I think this project is a threat to the safe climate future of us all.

The fracking processes uses dangerous chemicals that represent a threat to human health, the natural environment and water sources.

The health and environmental risks of the dangerous chemicals used in the fracking processes are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks.

There are serious concerns as to whether Traditional Owners have been able to provide free, prior and informed consent to the fracking process.

In this context it is not appropriate to proceed with the current exploration permit without further consultation

Mitchell, Stephanie – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 21:10:47

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Stephanie Mitchell
Sent	28/05/2019 9:10:47 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Stephanie MItchell Lesmurdie, Western Australia, 6076, Australia

This email was sent by Stephanie MItchell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Stephanie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Stephanie MItchell at *********.

Mjadwesch, Norbert – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 11:44:04

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Norbert Mjadwesch
Sent	24/05/2019 11:44:04 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

It,s just not needed!

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, norbert mjadwesch

This email was sent by norbert mjadwesch via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however norbert provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to norbert mjadwesch at *********.

Mjadwesch, Norbert – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 11:54:54

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Norbert Mjadwesch
Sent	24/05/2019 11:54:54 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns. It's not needed! Yours sincerely, norbert mjadwesch New South Wales, 2850, Australia

This email was sent by norbert mjadwesch via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however norbert provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to norbert mjadwesch at *********.

Mockridge, Boyd - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 08:23:37

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's EMP
From	Boyd Mockridge
Sent	30/05/2019 8:23:37 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

I am making a submission regarding this issue.

I ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP.

As a member of the wider community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP.

Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory, Australia and the planet as a whole. The following points must be given a greater weight when assessing the EMP -

- 1. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system. This is absolutely critical.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times. Any contamination of ground water and rivers is permanent and an unacceptable cost.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Sincerely, Boyd Mockridge Bocoble, New South Wales, 2850, Australia

This email was sent by Boyd Mockridge via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Boyd provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Boyd Mockridge at *********.

Moerkerken, Deb - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 17:08:37

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Deb Moerkerken
Sent	24/05/2019 5:08:37 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Deb Moerkerken Macleod, Victoria, 3085, Australia

This email was sent by Deb Moerkerken via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Deb provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Deb Moerkerken at *********.

Moffat, Jodie – Monday, 27 May 2019 – 23:05:28

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Jodie Moffat
Sent	27/05/2019 11:05:28 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

UNKNOWN UNKNOWNs

There is no certain way of knowing where fracking chemicals and solutions will end up once injected underground, what underground water sources will be polluted, where the cracks and fissures are in subterranean structures with chemicals forced into them. It's too risky with too little benefit for most Australians, yet we (the average taxpayers) will be left with your clean up bill. We don't want it.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Jodie Moffat Silver Sands, Western Australia, 6210, Australia

This email was sent by Jodie Moffat via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jodie provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jodie Moffat at *********.

Moin, Maiysha – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:18:34

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Maiysha Moin
Sent	29/05/2019 3:18:34 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Maiysha Moin Balwyn, Victoria, 3103, Australia

This email was sent by Maiysha Moin via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Maiysha provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Maiysha Moin at *********.

Moland, Deborah – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:17:25

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Deborah Moland
Sent	29/05/2019 11:17:25 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Deborah Moland Hackham West, South Australia, 5163, Australia

This email was sent by Deborah Moland via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Deborah provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Deborah Moland at *********.

Molanus, Bea - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 22:58:23

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
-	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Bea Molanus
Sent	28/05/2019 10:58:23 PM

Please don't Frack Respect the NT indigenous wishes

Bea Molanus ************* SA 5173

Moleay, Sainttina – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:50:08

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sainttina De Moleay
Sent	29/05/2019 3:50:08 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sainttina de Moleay Crescent Head, New South Wales, 2440, Australia

This email was sent by Sainttina de Moleay via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Sainttina provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sainttina de Moleay at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Molloy, John - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 14:04:48

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	John Molloy
Sent	24/05/2019 2:04:48 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by John Molloy via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however John provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to John Molloy at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Molloy, Shar – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 21:37:01

Subject	Environment Centre NT Submission - KYALLA 117 N2 Environment Management Plan EP117
From	Shar Molloy
Sent	30/05/2019 9:37:01 PM

Dear DENR Team,

Please find attached our submission for the KYALLA 117 N2 Environment Management Plan EP117.

Also attached is the report titled Wildlife Exposure Risk Assessment: Review of the Beetaloo Basin Drilling, Stimulation and Well Testing Program. Kyalla Environment Management Plan EP117, provided to Environmental Defenders Office by Donato Environmental Services. This report has informed our submission.

Can you please confirm receipt and acceptance of our submission and the DES Report.

Warm regards,

Shar

Shar Molloy

Director

T (08) ******* | M ******* 350 | E ******** <mailto:E%20******** | W http://www.ecnt.org.au/

GPO Box 2120, Darwin NT 0801 | Unit 3/98 Woods Street, Darwin Northern Territory – Australia

To support the Environment Centre please visit www.givenow.com.au/environmentcentrent

We acknowledge we live and work on Larrakia country.

We acknowledge the Larrakia people as the Traditional Owners of the Darwin region and pay our respects to Larrakia elders past and present.

We are committed to a positive future for the Aboriginal and Northern Territory community."

Attached Documents





Onshore Petroleum Assessment PO Box 3675 Darwin NT 0801 30th May 2019

Mode of delivery : email sent to Onshoregas.denr@nt.gov.au 30th May 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

Submission: Re BEETALOO BASIN DRILLING, STIMULATION AND WELL TESTING ROGRAM: KYALLA 117 N2 Environment Management Plan EP117

The Environment Centre NT (ECNT) is the peak community sector environment organisation in the Northern Territory, raising awareness amongst community, government, business and industry about environmental issues and assisting people to reduce their environmental impact and supporting community members to participate in decision making processes and action. ECNT welcomes the opportunity to comment the KYALLA 117 N2 Environment Management Plan EP117 (referred to as the EMP).

As previously stated in our submission to the Santos McArthur Basin drilling program 2019 (EP161). We assert that releasing this EMP (EP117) prior to the completion of the Code of Practice (the draft Code) is inappropriate and undermines the concept of community 'consultation'. This is particularly pertinent as we believe the recommendation 7.12 from the Final Report from the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Final Report) has not been implemented as intended in the draft Code. Recommendation 7.12 from the Final Report requires the use of enclosed tanks for the storage of wastewater all year round. The implementation of recommendation 7.12 is also not reflected in this EMP. The failure to adhere to the Final Report recommendations seriously undermines credibility of the proponent and the Northern Territory Government for allowing an environment where a proponent will make such a submission.

Recommendation

No EMP's should be approved prior to the release and enforcement of a final Code, which reflects the full implementation of recommendation 7.12.

Comments on Sections of the EMP

Section 2. Environmental Legislation and other Requirements

Table 3: Codes of practice and relevant guidelines.

NT Land clearing Guidelines (NRETAS 2010)

This document is out of date. A new version released in 2019.

Weed Management Planning Guide - Onshore Shale Gas Development Projects (DENR 2018)

This document is not readily available.

Recommendation

Release publicly the document 'Weed Management Planning Guide – Onshore Shale Gas Development Projects (DENR 2018)'

Section 2.3 Alignment with the Principles of Ecologically Sustainable Development (ESD)

"The activities that are the subject of the EMP do not constitute threats of serious or irreversible environmental damage and there is no impact on the conservation of biological diversity and ecological integrity:"

It is incorrect to claim that there will be "no impact on the conservation of biological diversity and ecological integrity". The threat from environmental weeds, to water aquifers, to birds and other fauna from open waste water creates an unacceptable risk. This risk is not being adequately mitigated as per recommendation 7.12

Section 3.16 Weed Management

A weed management plan will be submitted to DENR. The Weed management plan will be implemented.

The intent of the proponent to develop and implement a weed management plan is welcomed, however, this plan has not been made available for public comment and there is no indication the plan will be made available. Introduced species are a significant influence in the modification of Australian landscapes and major factor threatening plants and animals in Australia¹. The failure to make public and provide public accountability for weed management is a serious gap in transparency. Transparency is an important principle included in the recommendations of the Final Report.

The traditional primary focus of weed management activities of organisations such as Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) is on declared weeds, however, there are serious environmental weeds in the NT that are not declared. Buffel grass, *Cenchrus ciliaris*, is not a declared weed in the NT, but is recognised as an ecosystem changing environmental weed. There is a buffel grass management guide downloadable from the NT Government web site (DENR undated), however, the mechanism for management of Buffel Grass along with other non-declared environmental weeds in relation to the proposed activity has not been addressed in the EMP.

Furthermore, this lack of transparency regards weeds is proposed at a time when the NT Government has recently announced it will save \$3,000 per year by discontinuing the NT Weed Risk Assessment Committee². Traditionally this committee has provided a mechanism for objective assessment of weed risk and a forum for debate over conflict species such as Gamba Grass and Perennial Mission Grass. Without such debate there is little opportunity and no mechanism available to resolve the conflict that occurs with species that are valued by one section of society but have the potential for an overwhelming negative impact on society as a whole. This move by the NT Government suggests the capacity of our society to address environmental weeds is eroding. The erosion in combination with the lack of transparency reflected in the EMP does little to instil

² https://treasury.nt.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0005/683834/Root-and-branch-review-for-web-new.pdf



¹ DENR (undated) Buffel Grass management guide for central Australia. https://nt.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0017/231416/buffel-grass-management-guide-2018.pdf (Accessed 27 May 2019)

confidence that the environmental impact of weeds that arises out of the proposed project will be adequately addressed.

Equipment washdown and certified 'clean'.

The details of who will certify the equipment washdown as 'clean' needs to be provided.

Monitoring and maintenance activities will be undertaken pre- and post- wet season to identify and treat weed infestations.

Declared weed outbreaks will be notified to DENR.

It is important that presence of declared weeds be notified, however there needs to be a commitment to eradicate declared and also non-declared weeds introduced by the EMP activity, with broad details of how this may be undertaken. While the required response may vary between species there will be general steps applicable. A plan could have appendices including information for a selection of potential weeds including control techniques, follow-up monitoring and the period observed as weed free before considered as eradicated. Much of this style of information is already available from Weeds Branch, however, what the proponent may or may not undertake is not clear.

Recommendation

The proposed weed management plan is made public and that the public has an opportunity to comment, prior to approval of any further on-ground actions. Also the plan includes consideration of environmental weeds, post mining management, transparency and public accountability.

Section 4.1 Physical Environment.

A Land condition Assessment (LCA) was completed in August 2018 to gather baseline information on the current physical environment within the proposed activity area.

Appendix B, Section 2.2 Field Assessment and Reporting- field assessment undertaken 28 to 29 August 2018.

An August survey would have been insensitive to annual or seasonal plants that grow in the wet season. Thus inadequate baseline data exists to either assess impact or guide rehabilitation. This situation is accentuated by the low number of records of biodiversity information for the project area and surrounding lands.

Appendix B: 3.5.4.1 Threatened Fauna

No core habitat for threatened fauna was identified at the sites. However, some species may possibly occur and are known to occur in the wider landscape. Threatened species that may possibly occur include: Gouldian Finch ... and Crested Shrike-tit (northern)...

The use of open waste water storage pits may well act as an attractant for birds such as the Gouldian Finch. Abiding by the recommendation 7.12 of the Final Report provides a solution to this issue.

Open waste water storage also poses a potential attractant and thus threat to the migratory Curlew Sandpiper which is listed as vulnerable in the NT.

More generally open waste water pits provide a risk to birds, in particular water birds which are attracted to the general area by the presence of Lake Woods. The use of surfactants and other



chemicals in the fracking process provide an unquantified potentially serious threat to the plumage and thus health of waterbirds.

There is a potential for the open water pits to be supporting the breeding of cane toads, which will have a negative on native species. By introducing standing water bodies into the EMP site there may be an increase in the cane toad population and breeding of the cane toad at the site. This introduces a size class of cane toads into the area that would not be occurring without the water pits and this may cause dramatic declines and even local extinctions of smaller Varanid species and the juvenile stages of the larger Varanid species such as V.Panoptes, V.Gouldii and V.Mertensii.

Further impact to wildlife from exposure pathways is identified in the attached report 'Wildlife Exposure Risk Assessment: Review of the Beetaloo Basin Drilling, Stimulation and Well Testing Program. Kyalla Environment Management Plan EP117, provided to Environmental Defenders Office by Donato Environmental Services.

This report identifies a critical omission by not identifying wildlife interaction with the waste solutions in the open Flowback Ponds and Mud Sump Facility as an exposure pathway. This omission is the result of the EMP considering that fencing (Appendix 5 Wastewater Management Plan, Section 5.1) of the Flowback Ponds and Mud Sump Facility excludes wildlife access. This is fundamentally incorrect. A well-maintained meshed fence excludes ambulatory wildlife, but not birds and bats. Without specific ongoing monitoring, wildlife mortality is likely to be underestimated as carcasses are difficult to detect.

The report also identifies risk from flowback ponds chemistry and the risk to wildlife from resultant evaporative chemistry has not been adequately assessed. Any chemistry and wildlife risk assessment needs to be based on the resultant evaporative chemistry, not the inflow chemistry as provided in the EMP Table 8.

Recommendation.

Enforce the recommendation of 7.12 for fully enclosed tanks all year round. Laboratory test work is needed to adequate assess the risk to wildlife from evaporative chemicals.

Waste Management

This EMP further fails to adequately manage wastewater by planning to store nearly 6 million litres of waste fluid on site over the wet season. There is no evidence in the EMP to indicate the pond covers will hold in severe weather events nor that the covered ponds have been heat and moisture tested to work in extreme NT weather. Again this is further evidence as to why the waste water must be contained in fully covered tanks all year round.



Donato Environmental Services

ABN: 68083 254 015

david@desenvironment.com.au Skype: daviddonato8941

Wildlife Exposure Risk Assessment: Review of the Beetaloo Basin Drilling, Stimulation and Well Testing Program. Kyalla Environment Management Plan EP117

Report to:

Environmental Defenders Office NT

edont@edont.org.au

May 2019







Disclaimer

This report has been prepared and produced by Donato Environmental Services (ABN 68083 254 015) in good faith. However, Donato Environmental Services accepts no liability (including liability of negligence) and takes no responsibility for any loss that a user of this report or any third party may suffer or incur as a result of reliance or use, as stated or inferred in this report, and in particular for:

- any errors, misinterpretations or omissions in the report;
- any inaccuracy in the information and data on which this report is based or contained in this report; and
- any interpretations, recommendations or opinions stated in, or which may be inferred from, this report.

Citation

Donato, D. B., 2019. Wildlife Exposure Risk Assessment: Review of the Beetaloo Basin Drilling, Stimulation and Well Testing Program. Kyalla Environment Management Plan EP117. Donato Environmental Services, Darwin.

Distribution

Receivers	Copies	Date Issued	Contact name
Environmental Office NT	Version 1 (electronic)	29 May 2019	G. Duggin, M. Kessler





Introduction Preamble

The Environmental Defenders Office (NT) has approached Donato Environmental Services (DES) to review the Beetaloo Basin Drilling, Stimulation and Well Testing Program, Kyalla Environment Management Plan EP117, dated 27 April 2019 (referred to as the EMP) and associated appendices A to O.

Specifically, DES has been requested to:

- determine if the assessment of environmental impacts, as far as it relates to your areas of expertise, is appropriate and sufficient;
- identify which species, or type of species, are most likely to be vulnerable to impacts from this project and similar projects that may be undertaken in the region;
- the extent that you are qualified to comment what, if any, are the risks to Gouldian Finch and/or similar species, from the proposal to leave wastewater open to the environment; and
- provide any further observations or opinions which you consider to be relevant.

DES expertise

Donato Environmental Services (DES) is an environmental consulting company with over 25 years of experience servicing industry throughout Australasia, the Americas and Africa. DES provides an experienced service to industry, regulatory authorities, base metal and gold producing industries.

Specifically, DES has considerable experience and is widely published in: environmental risk assessments, wildlife toxicology, mine wastewater management, cyanide code compliance, environmental auditing, broader industry environmental management and monitoring and reporting processes.

DES is recognised by industry peers as expert in tailings and mine wastewater wildlife toxicology and cyanide management.

Intent of this Review

The intent of this review is to provide expert opinion regarding specific risks, if any, to wildlife from exploration wastewater solutions. This review applies only to the above mentioned EMP and associated appendices.

Project description

Origin holds three petroleum exploration permits in the Barkly region under the Beetaloo Joint Venture with Falcon Oil and Gas. These permits consist of EP76, EP98 and EP117 which cover 18 512 square kilometres (km²) of largely pastoral leases on the Sturt Plain, part of the Barkly Tableland within the Northern Territory.

The EMP forms the basis of Origin's application to the Northern Territory Department of Environment and Natural resources (DENR) for the drilling, stimulation and well testing of a petroleum exploration well on the Kyalla 117 N2 lease pad within Origin's exploration permits. The plan provides a description of how Origin proposes to manage the environmental impacts and risks associated with its activities.

Section 3 of the EMP provides for a description of proposed activities, which include but are not limited to:

- exploration well drilling;
- water bore drilling;
- hydraulic fracture stimulation;
- well completion and testing;





- well suspension and decommissioning;
- construction and operation of a temporary camp; and
- maintenance and monitoring works.

The proposed operation will have three open flowback storage tanks (referred to here as Flowback Ponds) and a drilling mud sump (referred to here as Mud Sump Facility). These will contain waste solutions, including but not limited to: hydrocarbons, salts, dissolved metals, phenolic compounds and radionuclides from exploration activity (see EMP Table 8). Some of the contaminates in the waste solution are considered toxic.

The EMP attempts to address the risks to the environment (and human health) through a formalised risk assessment.

EMP Risk Assessment

Exposure pathways

Origin is required to provide a site-based Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla 117 N2 drilling, stimulation and well testing program to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) in accordance with the *Petroleum (Environment) Regulations*. Section 6 of the EMP provides an environmental impact assessment and reports the outcomes (section 6.4) of all chemicals associated with the proposed activities. Section 3.5.1.2 stating:

The exposure pathway assessment identified only one partially complete exposure pathway; the on-site release of particulates and vapour during chemical mixing and flowback evaporation. The limited number of valid pathways is consistent with the limited size and duration of the proposed activities.

The exposure pathway assessment contains a critical omission, in not identifying wildlife interacting with the waste solutions in the open Flowback Ponds and Mud Sump Facility as an exposure pathway. This omission is repeated in the EMP Table 6 Simulation Chemical Exposure Pathways and hence the risk to wildlife from interaction with waste solutions is ignored in all risk assessments in the EMP and appendices.

This omission is the result of the EMP considering that fencing (Appendix 5 Wastewater Management Plan, Section 5.1) of the Flowback Ponds and Mud Sump Facility excludes wildlife access. This is fundamentally incorrect.

A well-maintained meshed fence excludes ambulatory wildlife, not birds and bats, a matter well known within the gold mining industry and is specifically addressed within the International Cyanide Management Code.

Birds and bats interact with mine waste solutions contained in similar impoundments as described in the EMP [1] and considerable number of wildlife deaths are reported [2-12] Department of Mines has published guidelines on the matter [12].

The EMP provides no data or explanation why the open impoundments, as described in the EMP, would totally exclude bird and bat interaction with the contained waste solutions. If this is the case, then it would be unique to the industry [13]. Wildlife attracted to and interaction with mine waste solutions is determined by, but not limited to extant environmental conditions, seasonality, at-risk species passage migration, surface



DES

area, structural habitat provision, drinking, access to food resources, safe roosting, proximity to vegetation and less so by chemical composition [1, 12]. The number of wildlife visitations and deaths (interaction) at BHP Olympic Dam evaporation ponds are influenced by environmental seasonal conditions not the chemical constituents [3-11]. Hence, an argument that the solutions are repulsive to wildlife forms an effective barrier to interaction is incorrect.

Using qualitative likelihood terminology [14], it is almost certain that birds and bats would interact with the waste solutions, particularly those contained within the large open Flowback Ponds. Consequently, the EMP fails to identify those species that could be at risk, including those species specifically listed under the Commonwealth *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation* Act 1999 (EPBC Act) and the Northern Territory *Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation* Act 2000 (TPWC Act).

An expected response from the proponent would be that no wildlife deaths or any wildlife were recorded at similar impoundments associated with hydraulic fracture stimulation and production tests undertaken at Amungee NW-1H. This is almost certain due to a lack of articulated monitoring regime conducted by trained observers to detect carcasses. Carcasses in evaporation ponds (and other mine waste solution impoundments) are inaccurately reported because they are difficult to detect, they sink or are removed by scavenging species. Without specific monitoring of waste solution impoundments, carcasses are frequently not recorded or grossly under reported ([1, 3-12]

Flowback Ponds chemistry

The Flowback Ponds form part of an evaporative system to maintain the operational water balance, a common practice in the mining industry. Evaporation ponds by their very nature are required to be exposed (open) to the environment to facilitate evaporation. The evaporative process changes the solution chemistry, typically with relatively stable chemicals and dissolved metals increasing in concentration to saturation points. Any chemistry and wildlife risk assessment are therefore required on the resultant evaporative chemistry, not the inflow chemistry as provided in the EMP Table 8. This would require laboratory test work.

Critically, in any such risk assessment, the evaporation pond solutions chemical constituents would be at their most concentrated at the end of their operational life, which corresponds with the end of the dry season (EMP sections 3.9.2 and 3.9.3). This is a time when wildlife is most likely to interact with solutions and corresponds with passage migration of those species listed under the EPBC Act.

It is beyond the constraints of this review to identify those species that are likely to interact with Flowback and Mud Sump Facility solutions or assess any associated risks. The proponents best refer to published guidelines produced by the Department of Mines [12].

Gouldian Finch

The Gouldian Finch is listed as endangered under the EPBC Act and vulnerable under the TPWC Act. The Land Condition Assessment Appendix B states that the Gouldian Finch occurrence as possible at the proposed operation and the Matters of



DES

Environmental Significance states the species or species habitat is likely to occur at the operation. Given the species is granivorous and required to drink almost daily, then the species, particularly in the late dry season, may interact with the operation's waste solution.

On a prima facie assessment using the Standards Australia HB203:2006 guidelines [14] the likelihood of such interaction is determined as C (Possible/Occasional) and a consequence of Moderate (One or two individuals of a listed species impacted in a single occurrence, or more than five individuals of non-listed species in a single incident or less than five non-listed individuals in multiple incidents) returns a risk of Moderate. Consistent with the EMP, such a level of risk would require mitigation.

Other at-risk species

Although requested by Environmental Defenders Office (NT), DES will not identify which species, or type of species, are most likely to be vulnerable to impacts from this Project and similar projects that may be undertaken in the region, due to time constraints, lack of operation and site familiarity, resultant chemistry and toxicity of evaporated Flowback and Mud Sump Facility solutions. This is primarily the work of the proponent and their consultants.

DES draws to the attention of the proponents that the Flowback and Mud Sump solution impoundments will likely attract, but not limited to, migratory waders such as the Fork-tailed Swift listed under the EPBC Act. The consequences of interaction with the evaporative waste solutions have not been considered by the EMP. The Department of Mines guidelines [12] on the matters provides useful information on determining those species at risk and likely consequences.

Conclusion

The EMP has a critical omission in not identifying the chemistry exposure pathway of wildlife interaction with Flowback and Mud Sump Facility solutions. Because of this omission, the EMP fails to assess the risk to wildlife, including those specifically listed under the EPBC Act and TPWC Act. In this regard, the EMP is not adequate nor sufficient in protecting wildlife or reducing harm to the environment.

The EMP fails to identify the risk to the Gouldian Finch, which on a prima facie assessment, in this review, is rated as moderate and requires mitigation.

The Department of Mines have produced guidelines regarding wildlife interaction with mine waste solutions, which will enable the proponent to adequately identify those species at risk and to develop risk mitigation where appropriate.

The EMP is inconsistent with terminology referring to the Flowback Ponds as tanks, storage tanks, above ground tanks, open tanks, open above ground tanks and flexiponds in the text, figure captions, table captions and appendices. The EMP is again inconsistent with terminology referring to the Mud Sump Facility as drilling mud sump, mud sump, drilling sump, lined sump. Inconsistent terminology can make it difficult for the reader (and public) to understand the operation activities, risks and risk mitigation.





References

- 1. Donato, D.B., O. Nichols, H. Possingham, M. Moore, P.F. Ricci and B.N. Noller, *A critical review of the effects of gold cyanide-bearing tailings solutions on wildlife.* Environmental International, 2007. 33: p. 974-984.
- 2. BHPbilliton, (2008). Olympic Dam Environmental Management and Monitoring Report, 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008, report No. ODENV 41.
- 3. BHPbilliton, (2009). Olympic Dam Environmental Management and Monitoring Report, 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009, report No. ODENV 45.
- 4. BHPbilliton, (2010). Olympic Dam Environmental Management and Monitoring Report, 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010, report No. ODENV 47.
- 5. BHPbilliton, (2011). Olympic Dam Environmental Management and Monitoring Report, 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011, report No. ODENV 50.
- 6. BHPbilliton, (2012). Olympic Dam Environmental Management and Monitoring Report, 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012, report No. ODENV 51.
- 7. BHPbilliton, (2013). Olympic Dam Environmental Management and Monitoring Report, 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013.
- 8. BHPbilliton, (2015). Olympic Dam Environmental Management and Monitoring Report, 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015.
- 9. BHPbilliton, (2016). Olympic Dam Environmental Management and Monitoring Report, 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016.
- 10. BHPbilliton, (2017). Olympic Dam Environmental Management and Monitoring Report, 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017.
- 11. BHPbilliton, (2018). Olympic Dam Environmental Management and Monitoring Report, 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.
- 12. Donato, D., *Bird Usage Patterns on Northern Territory Mining Water Tailings and their Management to Reduce Mortalities, Public Report.* 1999, Darwin, Northern Territory: Department of Mines and Energy. 179.
- 13. Brett Lane and Associates, (2009). *Olympic Dam Expansion: Draft Environmental Impact Statement. Appendix N: Terrestrial Ecology.* for BHP Billiton.
- 14. Standards Australia, (2006). HB 203:2006 Environmental risk management Principles and process.



DES

Moloney, L. – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 17:52:32

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	L. Angela Moloney
Sent	24/05/2019 5:52:32 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by L. Angela Moloney via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however L. Angela provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to L. Angela Moloney at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Monaghan, Kerri – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 06:47:24

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Kerri Monaghan
Sent	24/05/2019 6:47:24 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Kerri Monaghan

This email was sent by Kerri Monaghan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Kerri provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kerri Monaghan at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Monie, Christopher – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:19:09

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Christopher Monie
Sent	29/05/2019 1:19:09 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate, artesian water and agronomic impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate and other impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Christopher Monie Wendouree, Victoria, 3355, Australia

This email was sent by Christopher Monie via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Christopher provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Christopher Monie at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Monro, Erin – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:32:07

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Erin Monro
Sent	29/05/2019 11:32:07 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Erin Monro Durack, Northern Territory, 0830, Australia

This email was sent by Erin Monro via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Erin provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Erin Monro at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Montagner, Ida – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 10:42:14

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Ida Montagner
Sent	29/05/2019 10:42:14 AM

This project is a threat to our safe climate future.

Origin's exploration well has the potential to lead to hundreds of Origin's shale gas wells in full production phase, and to the further development of Northern Territory's unconventional gas industry, which NT government sources have said could mean over 6000 gas wells.1 The gas industries' peak body, the Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association, has said there are over 200 trillion cubic feet of gas in the Northern Territory, which is the equivalent to 50 power stations operating for thirty years.2 We simply cannot afford such a climate disaster.

The fracking processes uses dangerous chemicals that represent a threat to human health, the natural environment and water sources.

Origin have provided a list of chemicals that will be stored and used on the site of their exploration well Many of these chemicals do not have available health data. These chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in the fracking processes.

The health and environmental risks of the dangerous chemicals used in the fracking processes are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks.

Origin is proposing using open tanks to store liquids that flow back after the fracking process, which will be millions of litres. This is in spite of the fact that the Northern Territory fracking inquiry recommended that all polluted water from the fracking process be stored in closed tanks to minimise risks to human life and the natural environment.4

There are serious concerns as to whether Traditional Owners have been able to provide free, prior and informed consent to the fracking process.

The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory stated that, 'Aboriginal people from regional communities who made submissions to the Panel almost universally expressed deep concern about, and strong opposition to, the development of any onshore shale gas industry on their country.'4 This included communities in the Beetaloo basin where this exploration well will be located. A report from the Jumbunna Institute at UTS, 5 has questioned whether communities have been provided adequate information about the fracking processes, leading to the conclusion that 'based on a review of publicly available information, the report finds that most – if not all – exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of free, prior and informed consent'. In this context it is not appropriate to proceed with the current exploration permit without further consultation.

References:

- [1] 'Onshore shale gas in Australia and the Northern Territory', The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory, March 2018.
- [2] 'NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants', The Australia Institute.
- [3] For more information on chemical information see 'Object to Origin's frack plans', Lock the Gate.
- [4] Recommendation 7.12, The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory, March 2018.
- [4] 'Aboriginal people and their culture', p 266, The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory, March 2018.
- [5] Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the NT, Jumbunna Institute UTS.

Monteiro, Larissa – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 10:59:18

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Larissa Monteiro
Sent	29/05/2019 10:59:18 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Larissa Monteiro

This email was sent by Larissa Monteiro via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Larissa provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Larissa Monteiro at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co
To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Monteith, Jo – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:25:03

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jo Monteith
Sent	29/05/2019 12:25:03 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Jo Monteith

This email was sent by Jo Monteith via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jo provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jo Monteith at *********.

Montgomery, Pauleen – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 18:47:53

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Pauleen Montgomery
Sent	23/05/2019 6:47:53 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Pauleen Montgomery Stuart Park, Northern Territory, 0820, Australia

This email was sent by Pauleen Montgomery via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Pauleen provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Pauleen Montgomery at *********.

Montgomery, Peter – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 15:47:48

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Peter Montgomery
Sent	25/05/2019 3:47:48 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Peter Montgomery Erskineville, New South Wales, 2043, Australia

This email was sent by Peter Montgomery via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Peter provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Peter Montgomery at *********.

Monticelli, Anna – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 19:11:13

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Anna Maria Monticelli
Sent	28/05/2019 7:11:13 PM

Message to Origin - if you love your children, grandchildren would you destroy their future? Because that's exactly what you are proposing to do - Aboriginal communities care about their children's future too - if you destroy the land you destroy people. Be inventive and find other ways to save the earth.

Moody, Richard - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 17:52:08

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Richard Moody
Sent	23/05/2019 5:52:08 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Richard Moody Hope Island, Queensland, 4212, Australia

This email was sent by Richard Moody via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Richard provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Richard Moody at *********.

Mooney, Tom - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 13:26:05

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Tom Mooney
Sent	25/05/2019 1:26:05 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Tom Mooney Elizabeth East, South Australia, 5112, Australia

This email was sent by Tom Mooney via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Tom provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Tom Mooney at *********.

Moore, Angela – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:02:43

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Angela Moore
Sent	29/05/2019 11:02:43 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Angela Moore

This email was sent by Angela Moore via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Angela provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Angela Moore at *********.

Moore, David - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 09:35:25

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	David Moore
Sent	26/05/2019 9:35:25 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, David Moore Prahran East, Victoria, 3181, Australia

This email was sent by David Moore via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however David provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to David Moore at *********.

Moore, Elizabeth – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 19:39:13

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Elizabeth Moore
Sent	29/05/2019 7:39:13 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am an Alice Springs resident living in the NT for 12 years now.I am a general practitioner and public health physician.

I am writing to express my objections to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

Risk to health

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to various issues including a potential increased risk of cancer, acute toxicity and respiratory toxicity. Some are very damaging to acquatic life. Some fracking chemicals have no health data available.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

I believe that it is totally unacceptable for Origin to use open air wastewater dams or tanks to store toxic flow back fluids.

This fluid is full of dangerous contaminants including heavy metals and toxic chemicals.

These pits and open tanks are a risk to precious threatened bird life including the Gouldian finch. These toxic fracking fluids should not be accessible to bird life at any time.

Risks in wet season

I am very worried that Origin is planning to use open dams rather than enclosed tanks. Extreme weather events (which are all to common in the NT) could cause down stream pollution impacts.

The site is upstream from Lake Wood which is a place of international importance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Tourist operators have not been consulted and I am aware that some of them have grave concerns about the potential impact. In addition, Origin plans to dump toxic waste in an undisclosed site in Queensland, adding to the huge stockpile of toxic waste salt that is already in Queensland.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is high risk for bushfires. Rural Fire Bridges want gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. The number of total fire ban days will increase with climate change.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, elizabeth Moore

This email was sent by elizabeth Moore via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however elizabeth provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to elizabeth Moore at *********.

Moore, Gina – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 23:06:40

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Gina Moore
Sent	30/05/2019 11:06:40 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am compelled to send this submission to try and ensure our voices are heard and respected. Although I am from Victoria this issue impacts us all and we cannot be silent on your plans to frack the gas fields of the NT and dump waste in Queensland.

I want to express in the strongest terms, my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern territory.

The known risks of this shortsighted plan are unacceptable - our health, futures and the planet must be respected and the below listed reasons must be at the forefront of the decision regarding these plans:

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

The proposed fracking plans are not in our interests. I ask that you please properly consider my concerns and decide for people not profit.

Yours sincerely, Gina Moore Diamond Creek, Victoria, 3089, Australia

This email was sent by Gina Moore via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Gina provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Gina Moore at *********.

Moore, Graham - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 12:28:41

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Graham Moore
Sent	24/05/2019 12:28:41 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Graham Moore via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Graham provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Graham Moore at *********.

Moore, Kalyana – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:00:14

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Kalyana Moore
Sent	29/05/2019 11:00:14 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Please, NO Fracking.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Kalyana Moore

This email was sent by Kalyana Moore via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Kalyana provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Kalyana Moore at *********.

Moore, Matilda – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 11:30:45

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Matilda Moore
Sent	30/05/2019 11:30:45 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, matilda moore

This email was sent by matilda moore via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however matilda provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to matilda moore at *********.

Moore, Monica – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 14:21:13

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Monica Moore
Sent	30/05/2019 2:21:13 PM

Dear Minister,

I am writing to let you know of my concern regarding Origin's intention to start fracking in the Northern Territory, and storing polluted run-off in open storage tanks. This project is not only detrimental to the environment in the immediate future, with contamination of the water table, harm to the health of the local people, and destruction of animal habitat, but is contrary to all the evidence that supports the development of clean energy as the way forward, ensuring our children and their descendants get the same quality of life, clean air and water that we have been able to enjoy.

These are serious concerns and I ask you to choose wisely to support the wishes and interests of those you represent in your electorate.

Yours sincerely

Dr Monica Moore

Monica Moore ************** NSW 2223

Moore, Nora – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 10:42:43

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Nora Moore
Sent	25/05/2019 10:42:43 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Nora Moore Norseman, Western Australia, 6443, Australia

This email was sent by Nora Moore via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Nora provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Nora Moore at *********.

Moore, Sally - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:16:10

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sally Moore
Sent	23/05/2019 6:16:10 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sally Moore Talofa, New South Wales, 2481, Australia

This email was sent by Sally Moore via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Sally provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sally Moore at *********.

Moore, Steve - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 06:45:45

Subject	My personal objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Steve Moore
Sent	27/05/2019 6:45:45 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

Let me start by introducing myself, as an Origin Energy customer for approximately 20 years, but believe we cannot continue to pillage the planet making harmful decisions that will have lasting detrimental impacts.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Steve Moore Mooroolbark, Victoria, 3138, Australia

This email was sent by Steve Moore via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Steve provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Steve Moore at *********.

Moore, Tina – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 17:14:05

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Tina Moore
Sent	29/05/2019 5:14:05 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Tina Moore Laura, South Australia, 5480, Australia

This email was sent by Tina Moore via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Tina provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Tina Moore at *********.

Moore, Vean – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 18:46:22

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Vean Moore
Sent	28/05/2019 6:46:22 PM

I just want to say all those who are considering this ... look inside & ask your True Self "Would you want this in your backyard" ... there have been enough problems with other sites . For Our Worlds sake do not do this ..You, your share holders may make billions of dollars but what is the point when the environment is wrecked, the water is polluted . You will be sitting pretty but what about the rest of us? What goes round vines round .. karma can be a ""

Moran, Arabella – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:05:35

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Arabella Moran
Sent	29/05/2019 11:05:35 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Arabella Moran

This email was sent by Arabella Moran via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Arabella provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Arabella Moran at *********.

Moran, Carol – Monday, 27 May 2019 – 19:57:06

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Carol Moran
Sent	27/05/2019 7:57:06 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

Money should be directed from fracking/Coal Seam Gas mining to developing renewable energy and retraining the workforce.

There are many reasons why fracking should go ahead in the NT, not least of which is the disregard for the science of Climate Change and the actions required to mitigate the damaging effects which primarily involves no new coal or gas mining and a move to 100% renewables by 2030. Fracking in the NT is completely out of sync with this science.

My irher concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Carol Moran Clareville, New South Wales, 2107, Australia

This email was sent by Carol Moran via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Carol provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Carol Moran at *********.

Moran, Clypse - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 18:32:12

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Clypse Moran
Sent	30/05/2019 6:32:12 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Clypse Moran Glenrowan, Victoria, 3675, Australia

This email was sent by Clypse Moran via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Clypse provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Clypse Moran at *********.

Moran, Deborah - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 18:03:57

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Deborah Moran
Sent	24/05/2019 6:03:57 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Deborah Moran Echunga, South Australia, 5153, Australia

This email was sent by Deborah Moran via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Deborah provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Deborah Moran at *********.

Moran, Michael - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 15:28:21

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Michael Moran
Sent	26/05/2019 3:28:21 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

When you can't control your wells once you have had a blowout and you site mitigation plan is to do nothing and let the gas spew out for generations you must stop now for all out safety

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site.

Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Michael Moran Curtin, Australian Capital Territory, 2605, Australia

This email was sent by Michael Moran via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Michael provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Michael Moran at *********.

Moran, Sarah – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 08:14:55

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sarah Moran
Sent	30/05/2019 8:14:55 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sarah Moran

This email was sent by Sarah Moran via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Sarah provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sarah Moran at *********.

Morcombe, Peter – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 10:48:40

Subject	Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Peter Morcombe
Sent	29/05/2019 10:48:40 AM

I object to this project because it will be an environmental disaster due to CO2 emissions and unsafe use of and storage of toxic chemicals. Also, I call on the NT government to show respect for the traditional owners land rights.

More, Donovan – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:59:33

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Donovan More
Sent	29/05/2019 1:59:33 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Donovan More Bogangar, New South Wales, 2488, Australia

This email was sent by Donovan More via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Donovan provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Donovan More at *********.

Morgan, Conny – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 16:19:56

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Conny Morgan
Sent	29/05/2019 4:19:56 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Conny Morgan West Woombye, Queensland, 4559, Australia

This email was sent by Conny Morgan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Conny provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Conny Morgan at *********.

Morgan, Druscilla - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 13:40:19

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Druscilla Morgan
Sent	24/05/2019 1:40:19 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Druscilla Morgan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Druscilla provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Druscilla Morgan at *********.

Morgan, Jane - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:20:19

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Jane Morgan
Sent	23/05/2019 6:20:19 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely,		
jane morgan		

This email was sent by jane morgan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however jane provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to jane morgan at *********.

Morgan, Jane – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 09:04:13

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Jane Morgan
Sent	29/05/2019 9:04:13 AM

As a member of Doctors for Environment Australia who believe we need a healthy planet for healthy people ,I have grave concerns about any development of unconventional gas mining in Australia or anywhere.

There are very clearly understood health impacts-the chemicals used to extract the gas as well as the pollutants from the storage of water used and the toxic gases released in the fracking process. The health impacts are enormous and expensive!!!

In addition with the global threat of climate change, expanding any fossil fuel project at this time is irresponsible to say the least. The health impacts of climate change are already being suffered by Australians as well as the rest of the world -heat waves, drought and flooding are the most obvious.

This project cannot go ahead at a time when we need to transition quickly to renewable energy for our survival.

Regards Jane Morgan

Jane Morgan ********

Morgan, John – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 09:01:00

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling	
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	
From	John Morgan	
Sent	29/05/2019 9:01:00 AM	

I am deeply concerned re the threats to this country's safe climate future & the dangers of fracking. Large companies - Origin Adarni - don't care about the environment only money. They disregard the rights of the Traditional owners of the land, threaten the water table (there is already a shortage of water for crops & cattle), introduce dangerous chemicals, & could impact on the tourist industry in NT. I do not support this venture & believe it should not be given approval to proceed.

John Morgan Castle Hill 2154

John Morgan ************* NSW 2154

Morgan, Julie - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 10:53:18

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Julie Morgan
Sent	29/05/2019 10:53:18 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Julie Morgan Aspendale Gardens, Victoria, 3195, Australia

This email was sent by Julie Morgan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Julie provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Julie Morgan at *********.

Morgan, Leigh - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 16:36:04

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Leigh Morgan
Sent	25/05/2019 4:36:04 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Leigh Morgan Diamond Creek, Victoria, 3089, Australia

This email was sent by Leigh Morgan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Leigh provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Leigh Morgan at *********.

Morgan, Lorna - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 11:00:44

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Lorna Morgan
Sent	25/05/2019 11:00:44 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change. All life depends on breathable air and drinkable water to survive. The gases that will be released into the environment will contribute to the climate emergency and the chemicals will pollute the waterways and soil.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Lorna Morgan Margate, Queensland, 4019, Australia

This email was sent by Lorna Morgan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Lorna provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lorna Morgan at *********.

Morgan, Michael – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 18:27:48

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
-	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Michael Morgan
Sent	29/05/2019 6:27:48 PM

I worked in the Ngukkur/Numbulwar region back in the 1980s. Beautiful country and beautiful people. I always have found that mining and the royalties destroy Aboriginal communities let alone what happens to the environment. Let the people of the region be free to save their culture because mining will kill it.

Morgan, Peter – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 13:41:05

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Peter Morgan
Sent	24/05/2019 1:41:05 PM

The proposed plan is incomplete and does not adequately address the Principles of Sustainable Development as defined by the Australian Government

'using, conserving and enhancing the community's resources so that ecological processes, on which life depends, are maintained, and the total quality of life, now and in the future, can be increased'.

http://www.environment.gov.au/about-us/esd/publications/national-esd-strategy-part1#WIESD

So we know what to do but your EMP makes no mention of these and is based on so many assumptions that it is the anthesis of sustainable development.

The Guiding Principles are listed as

* decision making processes should effectively integrate both long and short-term economic, environmental, social and equity considerations

Good idea. Now when Origin says we have integrated these considerations what is the relative weighting they give these. This is not clear in the proposal. Where does it say that it has projected a 200year plus look at the impact not of this exploration well but the shale oil industry. Without that this exploration well is a waste of time and resources for all concerned

*where there are threats of serious or irreversible environmental damage, lack of full scientific certainty should not be used as a reason for postponing measures to prevent environmental degradation

The precautionary principle at action states that not only should you not postpone measures that would prevent environmental degradation such as insisting on closed water tanks, a thorough and independent analysis of the chemicals used in the fracking process. But if you are scientifically uncertain about the impact of a proposed development that poses risk to the environment you should not go ahead with it.

They have not even supplied any assessment of consequences for a whole range of things such as Surface release of

chemicals to aquifer Stating they are Incomplete - The probability

of contamination of an aquifer from release of stimulation fluid is remote and therefore incomplete.

This is but one of many components of the plan that simply states with High Certainty that current processes and legislation means an accident wont happen. If one does well that would be unlucky and we cant actually be bothered saying what the probability is so that the government and other stakeholders can make an informed judgement and we can not see what the consequences are in order to ascertain risk profile.

*the global dimension of environmental impacts of actions and policies should be recognised and considered

a decarbonising world does not need more oil, pure and simple. The IPCC says this is so.

*the need to develop a strong, growing and diversified economy which can enhance the capacity for environmental protection should be recognised

true but this does not have to be done by business as normal

*the need to maintain and enhance international competitiveness in an environmentally sound manner should be recognised

ok what about investing in the future not toxic old industries. Origin you are an Energy Company not a Gas company.

*cost effective and flexible policy instruments should be adopted, such as improved valuation, pricing and incentive mechanisms

so lets stop the subsidies from government for a trainwreck of a policy to open up the NT to environmental degradation

*decisions and actions should provide for broad community involvement on issues which affect them

involvement does not mean as I am sure I will get a form response. You need to listen and if you believe this stuff is soo good for the all of us then persuade us. Your EMP is so full of holes

You might think that what right do I have from down in Victoria to object to a plan that i am not likely to feel the effects. Well listen up Origin

"Pathways limiting global warming to 1.5°C with no or limited overshoot would require rapid and far-reaching transitions in

energy, land, urban and infrastructure (including transport and buildings), and industrial systems (high confidence). These

systems transitions are unprecedented in terms of scale, but not necessarily in terms of speed, and imply deep emissions

reductions in all sectors, a wide portfolio of mitigation options and a significant upscaling of investments in those options

(medium confidence). "

This is why it affects me.https://www.ipcc.ch/sr15/chapter/summary-for-policy-makers/

This email was sent by Peter Morgan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Peter provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Peter Morgan at *********.

To learn more about Do Gooder visit www.dogooder.co

To learn more about web protocol FC 3834 visit: www.rfc-base.org/rfc-3834.html

Morison, Bert – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 13:55:47

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Bert Morison
Sent	24/05/2019 1:55:47 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Robert Morison PO Box 854 Stanthorpe, Queensland, 4380, Australia

This email was sent by bert Morison via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however bert provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to bert Morison at *********.

Morrell, Stephanie - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 07:07:21

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Stephanie Morrell
Sent	30/05/2019 7:07:21 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Stephanie Morrell Dee Why, New South Wales, 2099, Australia

This email was sent by Stephanie Morrell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Stephanie provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Stephanie Morrell at *********.

Morris, Bronte – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:40:38

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Bronte Morris
Sent	29/05/2019 11:40:38 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am horrified by the risks posed by Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted by climate change with severe weather patterns if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. This leads not only personal losses but delayed economic losses both to income generating businesses and also to government and insurance costs required to address the impacts.

Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2].

- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory. Big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.
- 4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet

seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

I want to add that there are so many much better alternatives that can provide alternative energy - I have invested in such a scheme that is currently being successfully trialed biogas from SA waste water (see 1114 degrees GAS TESS storage) it is such retrograde thinking to

damage our water and climate systems which we as tax payers are ALREADY paying the costs of damaging. We rely on good government to govern well in the interest of ALL Australians.

Yours sincerely, Bronte Morris Suffolk Park, New South Wales, 2481, Australia

This email was sent by Bronte Morris via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ***********, however Bronte provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Bronte Morris at *********.

Morris, Charles – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 08:47:45

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Charles Morris
Sent	30/05/2019 8:47:45 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Charles Morris Cremorne, Tasmania, 7024, Australia

This email was sent by Charles Morris via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Charles provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Charles Morris at *********.

Morris, Helen – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 21:04:42

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Helen Morris
Sent	28/05/2019 9:04:42 PM

Please don't destroy our children's and grandchildren's inheritance, for commercial gain. Listen to the fears of young people and Indigenous people about the fate of our planet. We should be leaving it a better place than we inherited. IFracking is greedy and total madness.

Helen Morris ************* VIC 3141

Morris, Hillary – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 14:36:28

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Hillary Morris
Sent	24/05/2019 2:36:28 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Hillary Morris Somersby, New South Wales, 2250, Australia

This email was sent by Hillary Morris via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Hillary provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Hillary Morris at *********.

Morris, Olga – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 21:15:05

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Olga Morris
Sent	29/05/2019 9:15:05 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, OLga Morris Clayton, Victoria, 3168, Australia

This email was sent by OLga Morris via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however OLga provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to OLga Morris at **********.

Morris, Peter – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 23:11:17

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Peter Morris
Sent	29/05/2019 11:11:17 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to reject Origin Energy's EMP, to protect the land, water, health and well being of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will contribute to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.
- 4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons I believe any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing should be rejected.

Yours sincerely, Peter Morris 8 Wear Avenue Marden, SA

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

This email was sent by Peter Morris via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Peter provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Peter Morris at *********.

Morris, Samantha - Sunday, 26 May 2019 - 21:33:11

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Samantha Morris
Sent	26/05/2019 9:33:11 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Samantha Morris Gannawarra, Victoria, 3568, Australia

This email was sent by Samantha Morris via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Samantha provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Samantha Morris at *********.

Morrison, Anna – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 18:22:53

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Anna Morrison
Sent	29/05/2019 6:22:53 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Anna Morrison Box Hill, Victoria, 3128, Australia

This email was sent by Anna Morrison via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Anna provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Anna Morrison at *********.

Morrison, Claire - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 07:30:52

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Claire Morrison
Sent	24/05/2019 7:30:52 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community and one of the many people who will have to live with the consequences, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Claire Morrison Surrey Downs, South Australia, 5126, Australia

This email was sent by Claire Morrison via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Claire provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Claire Morrison at *********.

Morrison, Reg - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 08:44:27

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Reg Morrison
Sent	30/05/2019 8:44:27 AM

Natural gas is composed largely of methane, and 3.6% to 7.9% of the methane from shale-gas production escapes to the atmosphere in venting and leaks over the lifetimeof a well. These methane emissions are at least 30% more than and perhaps more than twice as great as those from conventional gas. The higher emissions from shale gas occur at the time wells are hydraulically fractured—as methane escapes from flow-back return fluids—and during drill out following the fracturing. Methane is a powerful greenhouse gas, with a global warming potential that is far greater than that of carbon dioxide, particularly over the time horizon of the first few decades following emission. Methane contributes substantially to the greenhouse gas footprint of shale gas on shorter time scales, dominating it on a 20-year time horizon. The footprint for shale gas is greater than that for conventional gas or oil when viewed on any time horizon, but particularly so over 20 years. Compared to coal, the footprint of shale gas is at least 20% greater and perhaps more than twice as great on the 20-year horizon and is comparable when compared over 100 years.

Reg Morrison ************** NSW 2107

Morrison, Robert - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 12:02:15

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Robert Morrison
Sent	30/05/2019 12:02:15 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Robert Morrison Pottsville, New South Wales, 2489, Australia

This email was sent by Robert Morrison via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Robert provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Robert Morrison at *********.

Morrison, Valmae – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 10:32:35

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Valmae (Mae Mae) Morrison
Sent	30/05/2019 10:32:35 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Valmae (Mae Mae) Morrison Batchelor, Northern Territory, 0845, Australia

This email was sent by Valmae (Mae Mae) Morrison via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Valmae (Mae Mae) provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Valmae (Mae Mae) Morrison at *********.

Morrow, Matilda – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 16:14:33

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Matilda Morrow
Sent	29/05/2019 4:14:33 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Matilda Morrow Canterbury, Victoria, 3126, Australia

This email was sent by Matilda Morrow via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Matilda provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Matilda Morrow at *********.

Morrow, Rosemary – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 09:14:53

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Rosemary Morrow
Sent	29/05/2019 9:14:53 AM

I totally object to this Plan. When will people learn about the preciousness and the value of water. We cannot go on simply destroying and exploiting sources simply for short term gain.

The fracking processes uses dangerous chemicals that represent a threat to human health, the natural environment and water sources. The health and environmental risks of the dangerous chemicals used in the fracking processes are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. Please halt such long term and dangerous technology now.

Morse, Lyndal – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 09:00:49

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Lyndal Morse
Sent	30/05/2019 9:00:49 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Considering the planet and the future health of our children is pretty much doomed already PLEASE DO NOT LET THIS GO AHEAD! I have a 3 year old and a 2 month old and I honestly fear for their future. I want them to have clean air to breathe and clean drinking water.

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land.

The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Lyndal Morse

This email was sent by Lyndal Morse via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Lyndal provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lyndal Morse at *********.

Mortimer, Dean - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 23:17:22

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Dean Mortimer
Sent	28/05/2019 11:17:22 PM

I strongly object to Origin Energy's proposal to commence fracking in the Northern Territory. Of specific concern is their proposal to store fracking water polluted by dangerous chemicals in open tanks! Open tanks are totally unsuited to tropical climates where monsoonal events have the potential to induce overflows/spills into the surrounding environment. Fracking water must be treated as any fossil fuel product, i.e. in a closed tank with a surrounding bund designed to contain the whole contents of the tank without any leakage into surrounding areas. This condition is a recommendation of the Northern Territory fracking inquiry.

Dean Mortimer ************ SA 5255

Mortimer, Karl – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:55:11

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Karl Mortimer
Sent	29/05/2019 3:55:11 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Karl Mortimer Adelaide, South Australia, 5000, Australia

This email was sent by Karl Mortimer via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Karl provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Karl Mortimer at *********.

Mortimer, Maria - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:02:34

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Maria Mortimer
Sent	23/05/2019 6:02:34 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Maria Mortimer

This email was sent by Maria Mortimer via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Maria provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Maria Mortimer at *********.

Morton, Jules – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 06:29:25

Subject	Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Jules Morton
Sent	29/05/2019 6:29:25 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Jules Morton Auchenflower, Queensland, 4066, Australia

This email was sent by Jules Morton via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Jules provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Jules Morton at *********.

Morton, M – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 19:29:13

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	M Morton
Sent	23/05/2019 7:29:13 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, M Morton Drouin, Victoria, 3818, Australia

This email was sent by M Morton via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however M provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to M Morton at *********.

Morton, M – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 17:54:28

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	M Morton
Sent	24/05/2019 5:54:28 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, M Morton Jindivick, Victoria, 3818, Australia

This email was sent by M Morton via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however M provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to M Morton at *********.

Morton, Suz - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 22:45:23

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Suz Morton
Sent	24/05/2019 10:45:23 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

It is a terrible idea!

This email was sent by Suz Morton via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Suz provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Suz Morton at *********.

Morton, Yvonne – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 20:26:26

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Yvonne Morton
Sent	29/05/2019 8:26:26 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Yvonne Morton Kensington, Victoria, 3031, Australia

This email was sent by Yvonne Morton via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Yvonne provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Yvonne Morton at *********.

Mosher, Max - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 17:24:53

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Max Mosher
Sent	27/05/2019 5:24:53 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Max Mosher Bylong, New South Wales, 2849, Australia

This email was sent by Max Mosher via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Max provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Max Mosher at *********.

Motbey, Phillip – Monday, 27 May 2019 – 06:21:04

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Phillip Motbey
Sent	27/05/2019 6:21:04 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

Having travelled through central Qld often these past 20 years, I have witnessed the environmental damage caused by CSG fracking. More recently on a number of occasions through the Territory, I have witnessed the environmental beauty remaining there still. So I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened bird life that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to bird life at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site.

Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSH FIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bush fires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Phillip Motbey via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Phillip provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Phillip Motbey at *********.

Mottram, I – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:34:34

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	I Mottram
Sent	29/05/2019 11:34:34 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, I Mottram Wandal, Queensland, 4700, Australia

This email was sent by I Mottram via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however I provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to I Mottram at *********.

Mouillot, Miranda - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 22:51:46

Subject	STRONG Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Miranda Richmond Mouillot
Sent	28/05/2019 10:51:46 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I thank you for the opportunity to extress my strong objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory. It is a disaster for the following reasons:

FRACKING IS UNACCEPTABLY DANGEROUS TO HUMAN AND ANIMAL HEALTH

We know that fracking chemicals are harmful to human health. Origin's fracking is no different: the chemicals used in the process have known health impacts, including but not limited to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. This is not to mention the devastating effects of fracking on marine life.

And of course, that's only the chemicals we're aware of: a number of fracking chemicals are proprietary and kept secret, meaning that we do not have any health data available on them. What kind of acceptable public health risk is it to unleash that?

TOXIC FLOWBACK FLUID

Origin plans to use open-air wastewater dams to store the toxic flowback fluid that is a byproduct of fracking. This means that large bodies of water containing heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials will be left around to evaporate into the atmosphere, and will pose a major threat to already threatened birdlife in the area, including the Gouldian Finch.

What will happen in extreme weather? Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. In addition to threatening birds and other wildlife, extreme weather events could cause serious downstream pollution.

Let us not forget that the Origin site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity.

NATURAL BEAUTY, TOURISM, AND COMMUNITIES

I come from the United States, and I have seen the impact of fracking booms on communities: fracking increases traffic, creates brief explosions of wealth followed by nothing at all once the natural gases have been extracted, and lays waste to the landscape: the equipment is an eyesore, and the toxic waste dumping is, too. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. Why make it worse before we find a solution for the existing problems? That's a terrible, short-termist way to look at things.

BUSHFIRE

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Ignition sources and flaring create a massive fire risk.

Thank you for your time. I hope you will take these concerns into consideration and say no to this disastrous plan.

Yours sincerely, Miranda Richmond Mouillot Eumundi, Queensland, 4562, Australia

This email was sent by Miranda Richmond Mouillot via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Miranda provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Miranda Richmond Mouillot at *********.

Moulden, Renae – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:33:26

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Renae Moulden
Sent	29/05/2019 11:33:26 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Renae Moulden Cairns City, Queensland, 4870, Australia

This email was sent by Renae Moulden via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Renae provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Renae Moulden at *********.

Mount, Chris – Monday, 27 May 2019 – 15:36:08

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Chris Mount
Sent	27/05/2019 3:36:08 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

We should not be burning gas. The world is already burning from accumulated greenhouse gases.

Using hydraulic fracturing techniques has significant environmental issues risks.

Don't do it.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Chris Mount Curtin, Australian Capital Territory, 2605, Australia

This email was sent by Chris Mount via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Chris provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Chris Mount at *********.

Mounteney, Michael - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 19:49:08

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Michael Mounteney
Sent	28/05/2019 7:49:08 PM

Fracking -- who wants it? Who benefits? Just the few. Fracking is yesterday's energy source. Fracking destroys habitat, country and ancestral lands. You do not have a mandate to destroy the country for future generations.

Mountford, Troy - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 22:17:56

Subject	Objection to Origin's planned frack site at Kyalla, NT.
From	Troy Mountford
Sent	28/05/2019 10:17:56 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

I have been fortunate enough to live in the Northern Territory previously, and enjoy the ancient, timeless, and wonderfully magnificent environs it has.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site.

Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Troy Mountford Kallangur, Queensland, 4503, Australia

This email was sent by Troy Mountford via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Troy provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Troy Mountford at *********.

Mouse, Alex – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 09:21:01

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Alex Mouse
Sent	25/05/2019 9:21:01 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Alex Mouse Mermaid Waters, Queensland, 4218, Australia

This email was sent by Alex Mouse via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Alex provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Alex Mouse at *********.

Moussa, Wahibe - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 13:36:34

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Wahibe Moussa
Sent	29/05/2019 1:36:34 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Wahibe Moussa

This email was sent by Wahibe Moussa via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Wahibe provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Wahibe Moussa at *********.

Moutsidis, Maria - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 20:01:24

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Maria Moutsidis
Sent	28/05/2019 8:01:24 PM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to the left to guide your submission.

Maria moutsidis ********
VIC 3046

Mowat, Carolyn - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 17:01:44

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Carolyn Mowat
Sent	27/05/2019 5:01:44 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.

Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.

We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.

Chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Carolyn Mowat Seymour, Victoria, 3660, Australia

This email was sent by Carolyn Mowat via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Carolyn provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Carolyn Mowat at *********.

Moylan, Declan – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 13:37:09

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Declan Moylan
Sent	29/05/2019 1:37:09 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thanks for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue, as a biology student and young person it is extremely important for me.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Declan Moylab Keiraville, New South Wales, 2500, Australia

This email was sent by Declan Moylan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Declan provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Declan Moylan at *********.

Moylan, Peter – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 09:00:06

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Peter Moylan
Sent	29/05/2019 9:00:06 AM

I object to this proposal

peter moylan ************* VIC 3175

Mudie, Kate – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 18:18:12

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Kate Mudie
Sent	30/05/2019 6:18:12 PM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

Mugica, Val – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:42:00

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Val De Mugica
Sent	29/05/2019 3:42:00 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Val De Mugica Waterloo, New South Wales, 2017, Australia

This email was sent by Val De Mugica via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Val provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Val De Mugica at *********.

Muhlsimmer, Sonya - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 18:11:48

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Sonya Muhlsimmer
Sent	24/05/2019 6:11:48 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Sonya Muhlsimmer via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Sonya provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sonya Muhlsimmer at *********.

Muir, Sammy - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 10:55:33

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sammy Muir
Sent	29/05/2019 10:55:33 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sammy Muir

This email was sent by Sammy Muir via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Sammy provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sammy Muir at *********.

Muirhead, Garin - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 10:10:23

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Garin Muirhead
Sent	27/05/2019 10:10:23 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Garin Muirhead Coverty, Queensland, 4613, Australia

This email was sent by Garin Muirhead via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Garin provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Garin Muirhead at *********.

Muirhead, Judy – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 16:12:03

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Judy Muirhead
Sent	29/05/2019 4:12:03 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Judy Muirhead

This email was sent by Judy Muirhead via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Judy provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Judy Muirhead at *********.

Mulcahy, Therese – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 08:11:38

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
_	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Therese Mulcahy
Sent	29/05/2019 8:11:38 AM

The world is watching how Australia treats our environment. Fracking is a threat to our climate, our land and our water. This has implications for the whole world's climate, not just Australia's.

Tourism could be adversely affected. Tourists don't want to visit a country that is polluted and doesn't value its land or its First People.

Origin is interested only in profit and taking their profits out of Australia. Please act to stop them and their dirty plans to ruin our land, our international reputation and disrespect our First People.

Mulder, Daniel - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 13:28:58

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Daniel Mulder
Sent	24/05/2019 1:28:58 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

AQUIFERS AND GROUND WATER

There is a large potential for damaging and/or contaminating local aquifers and ground water.

FUGITIVE EMISSIONS

Fugitive emissions from fracking are a huge concern as natural gas is an extremely potent greenhouse gas. Experience in Qld has shown that gas emissions from there ground are a lot more that initially expected.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Daniel Mulder Winfield, Queensland, 4670, Australia

This email was sent by Daniel Mulder via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Daniel provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Daniel Mulder at *********.

Mullen, Timothy – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 12:41:22

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Timothy Mullen
Sent	24/05/2019 12:41:22 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Timothy Mullen Vermont South, Victoria, 3133, Australia

This email was sent by Timothy Mullen via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Timothy provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Timothy Mullen at *********.

Mullens, Rosemary - Tuesday, 28 May 2019 - 08:02:56

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Rosemary Mullens
Sent	28/05/2019 8:02:56 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Rosemary Mullens Terrigal, New South Wales, 2260, Australia

This email was sent by Rosemary Mullens via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Rosemary provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Rosemary Mullens at *********.

Muller, Paula - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 09:49:59

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Paula Muller
Sent	27/05/2019 9:49:59 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Paula Muller Eumundi, Queensland, 4562, Australia

This email was sent by Paula Muller via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Paula provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Paula Muller at *********.

Muller, Robyn – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:27:15

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Robyn Muller
Sent	29/05/2019 3:27:15 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Robyn Muller Altona Meadows, Victoria, 3028, Australia

This email was sent by Robyn Muller via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Robyn provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Robyn Muller at *********.

Muller, Wendy – Friday, 24 May 2019 – 12:33:55

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Wendy Muller
Sent	24/05/2019 12:33:55 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

This email was sent by Wendy Muller via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Wendy provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Wendy Muller at *********.

Mulligan, Ron - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 18:01:42

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Ron Mulligan
Sent	24/05/2019 6:01:42 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Ron Mulligan Upwey, Victoria, 3158, Australia

This email was sent by Ron Mulligan via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Ron provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ron Mulligan at *********.

Mulrooney, Vyonne – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:56:44

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Vyonne Mulrooney
Sent	29/05/2019 12:56:44 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Vyonne Mulrooney Canning Vale, Western Australia, 6155, Australia

This email was sent by Vyonne Mulrooney via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Vyonne provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Vyonne Mulrooney at *********.

Mulvey, Anne - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 22:41:42

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Anne Mulvey
Sent	25/05/2019 10:41:42 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Anne Mulvey Paraparap, Victoria, 3240, Australia

This email was sent by Anne Mulvey via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Anne provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Anne Mulvey at *********.

Mumme, Diane – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 17:52:32

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Diane Mumme
Sent	29/05/2019 5:52:32 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Diane Mumme Rum Jungle, Northern Territory, 0822, Australia

This email was sent by Diane Mumme via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Diane provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Diane Mumme at *********.

Munckton, Mr – Monday, 27 May 2019 – 23:07:43

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Mr Andre Munckton
Sent	27/05/2019 11:07:43 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Mr andre Munckton Tennant Creek, Northern Territory, 0860, Australia

This email was sent by Mr andre Munckton via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Mr andre provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Mr andre Munckton at *********.

Munday, Mary - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 09:58:54

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Mary Munday
Sent	24/05/2019 9:58:54 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Mary Munday Manly, New South Wales, 2095, Australia

This email was sent by Mary Munday via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Mary provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Mary Munday at *********.

Munro, Alison - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 11:25:01

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Alison Munro
Sent	24/05/2019 11:25:01 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Alison Munro Breakfast Point, New South Wales, 2137, Australia

This email was sent by Alison Munro via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Alison provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Alison Munro at *********.

Munro, Cheryl – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:53:29

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Cheryl Munro
Sent	29/05/2019 3:53:29 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Cheryl Munro Currumbin, Queensland, 4223, Australia

This email was sent by Cheryl Munro via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Cheryl provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Cheryl Munro at *********.

Munro, Lorrelle – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 12:42:59

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Lorrelle Munro
Sent	29/05/2019 12:42:59 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Lorrelle Munro West Tamworth, New South Wales, 2340, Australia

This email was sent by Lorrelle Munro via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Lorrelle provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lorrelle Munro at *********.

Munro, Sharyn – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 18:26:55

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Sharyn Munro
Sent	23/05/2019 6:26:55 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the chance to make a submission of objection regarding this issue.

I write to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to reject Origin Energy's EMP, to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

I have seen impacts in other states, like QLD. So I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts – for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. Australia is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and the Northern Territory is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1].

Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country.

Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.

- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are unpredictable and changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means possible big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down wells and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my requests:

- 1. That the DENR take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. That all waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. That additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. That all chemicals be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I await your response to these matters.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sharyn Munro Wingham, New South Wales, 2429, Australia

This email was sent by Sharyn Munro via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Sharyn provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sharyn Munro at *********.

Munro, Sharyn - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 14:16:39

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Sharyn Munro
Sent	27/05/2019 2:16:39 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my strong objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My primary concerns with this plan are as below.

• The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are proven as harmful to health, of humans and wildlife.

There are also 'trade name' fracking chemicals of unknown composition, thus with no health data available.

• Plus, with the natural toxic chemicals, radio-active elements and heavy metals that fracking releases and is in the wastewater, it is totally unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store this fluid.

Such evaporation pits and open toxic tanks should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time, especially given the threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch.

- These open pits cannot be safely contained in extreme weather events, increasingly frequent and severe. Their overflow could cause downstream pollution impacts as well as on site. Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity; its catchment should be off limits to fracking impacts.
- No further fracking should be allowed until a solution has been found for the resulting toxic waste. Origin plan to truck this to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste for which there is no permanent disposal solution.
- As an ex-RFS captain, concerned for what Santos' CSG flares risk in the NSW Pilliga, an area equally sensitive to bushfires, I think that Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Sharyn Munro Warriwillah, New South Wales, 2429, Australia

This email was sent by Sharyn Munro via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Sharyn provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sharyn Munro at **********.

Munro, Susan – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 08:47:30

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Susan Munro
Sent	25/05/2019 8:47:30 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, susan munro Batchelor, Northern Territory, 0845, Australia

This email was sent by susan munro via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however susan provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to susan munro at *********.

Munro, Susan – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 07:58:21

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Susan Munro
Sent	30/05/2019 7:58:21 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Susan Munro

This email was sent by susan munro via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however susan provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to susan munro at *********.

Munro, Susan – Thursday, 30 May 2019 – 07:59:09

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
-	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Susan Munro
Sent	30/05/2019 7:59:09 AM

Write your submission here - use our talking points to guide your submission.

susan munro ************* NT 0845

Muntz, Donna – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 22:19:11

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Donna Muntz
Sent	23/05/2019 10:19:11 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP, in order to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Donna Muntz

This email was sent by Donna Muntz via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Donna provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Donna Muntz at *********.

Murawski, Christine – Sunday, 26 May 2019 – 07:01:52

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Christine Murawski
Sent	26/05/2019 7:01:52 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Christine Murawski Warriwillah, New South Wales, 2429, Australia

This email was sent by Christine Murawski via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Christine provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Christine Murawski at *********.

Murch, Nique - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 20:52:46

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Nique Murch
Sent	23/05/2019 8:52:46 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thanking you for this chance to make a submission about thais important issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As an ex member of the Alice Springs community who lived there twenty years, I feel compelled to outline some of the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. In a serious omission, Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily (but not only), within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, nique murch

This email was sent by nique murch via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however nique provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to nique murch at *********.

Murch, William - Wednesday, 29 May 2019 - 19:44:44

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	William Murch
Sent	29/05/2019 7:44:44 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, William Murch Narara, New South Wales, 2250, Australia

This email was sent by William Murch via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however William provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to William Murch at *********.

Murch-Lempinen, Trevor - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:47:06

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Trevor Murch-Lempinen
Sent	23/05/2019 6:47:06 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Trevor Murch-Lempinen

This email was sent by Trevor Murch-Lempinen via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Trevor provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Trevor Murch-Lempinen at *********.

Murdoch, Ben - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 18:19:51

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Ben Murdoch
Sent	24/05/2019 6:19:51 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Ben Murdoch

This email was sent by Ben Murdoch via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Ben provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ben Murdoch at *********.

Murer, Renee - Monday, 27 May 2019 - 21:36:32

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Renee Murer
Sent	27/05/2019 9:36:32 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Renee Murer Rum Jungle, Northern Territory, 0822, Australia

This email was sent by Renee Murer via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Renee provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Renee Murer at *********.

Murphy, Anna - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:48:15

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Anna Murphy
Sent	23/05/2019 6:48:15 PM

To whom it may concern,

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission. I write to request the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to reject Origin Energy's EMP. I ask you to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of communities in this region. I am deeply concerned about the potential greenhouse gas emissions resulting from this proposal.

I object to any risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory being taken. Now is the time to reduce our carbon emissions, not increase them!!!

I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Anna Murphy Castlemaine, Victoria, 3450, Australia

This email was sent by Anna Murphy via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Anna provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Anna Murphy at *********.

Murphy, Dan – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:50:31

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Dan Murphy
Sent	29/05/2019 3:50:31 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Dan Murphy Ilparpa, Northern Territory, 0873, Australia

This email was sent by Dan Murphy via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at *************, however Dan provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Dan Murphy at *********.

Murphy, Janine - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 09:06:21

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Janine Murphy
Sent	30/05/2019 9:06:21 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Janine Murphy

This email was sent by Janine Murphy via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Janine provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Janine Murphy at *********.

Murphy, Lawrence – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 18:21:50

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Lawrence Murphy
Sent	29/05/2019 6:21:50 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Lawrence Murphy Castle Hill, New South Wales, 2154, Australia

This email was sent by Lawrence Murphy via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Lawrence provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lawrence Murphy at *********.

Murray, Alex – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 15:12:48

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Alex Murray
Sent	29/05/2019 3:12:48 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Alex Murray

This email was sent by Alex Murray via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Alex provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Alex Murray at *********.

Murray, Elisabeth – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 17:29:15

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Elisabeth Murray
Sent	29/05/2019 5:29:15 PM

I understand that Origin energy wants to drill for oil and gas in the Northern Territory in June this year. It is clear that the Environmental Management Plan is not adequate or feasible in the current environmental and economic climate.

The Traditional Owners who are fighting for water, culture and country have been doing so for centuries and I stand with them and listen to their understanding of the destruction fracking this land will do.

The fracking processes uses dangerous chemicals that represent a threat to human health, the natural environment and water sources. Nor can we afford such a climate disaster that fracking in this area would contribute to.

Simply, it is time to move on. Do not approve such a destructive project that will only set Australia further behind the rest of the world that is moving away from such practices.

Murray, Josephine – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 14:39:37

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Josephine Murray
Sent	25/05/2019 2:39:37 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Josephine Murray Marion Bay, Tasmania, 7175, Australia

This email was sent by Josephine Murray via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Josephine provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Josephine Murray at *********.

Murray, Katt – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 18:34:10

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Katt Murray
Sent	29/05/2019 6:34:10 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Katt Murray

This email was sent by Katt Murray via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ***********, however Katt provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Katt Murray at *********.

Murray, Laura – Sunday, 26 May 2019 – 21:07:39

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Laura Murray
Sent	26/05/2019 9:07:39 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Laura Murray

This email was sent by Laura Murray via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Laura provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Laura Murray at *********.

Murray, Linda – Thursday, 23 May 2019 – 19:00:32

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Linda Murray
Sent	23/05/2019 7:00:32 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

I wait with serious concern for your response to these matters.

Yours sincerely, Linda Murray Serpentine, Western Australia, 6125, Australia

This email was sent by Linda Murray via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Linda provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Linda Murray at *********.

Murray, Matthew - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 20:23:08

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Matthew Murray
Sent	30/05/2019 8:23:08 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Matthew Murray

This email was sent by Matthew Murray via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Matthew provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Matthew Murray at *********.

Murray, Robin – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 14:11:37

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Robin Murray
Sent	25/05/2019 2:11:37 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

As a member of the community, I am deeply concerned about the risks associated with Origin Energy's plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing in the Northern Territory. I strongly object to the approval of this EMP for the following reasons:

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Robin Murray Springwood, New South Wales, 2777, Australia

This email was sent by Robin Murray via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Robin provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Robin Murray at *********.

Murray, Ross - Saturday, 25 May 2019 - 13:14:02

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Ross Murray
Sent	25/05/2019 1:14:02 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Ross Murray Tuncurry, New South Wales, 2428, Australia

This email was sent by Ross Murray via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Ross provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Ross Murray at *********.

Murray, Stephen - Friday, 24 May 2019 - 11:43:26

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Stephen Murray
Sent	24/05/2019 11:43:26 AM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Stephen Murray

This email was sent by Stephen Murray via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Stephen provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Stephen Murray at *********.

Murrell, Frances – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 11:47:28

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Frances Murrell
Sent	29/05/2019 11:47:28 AM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue. I am currently an Origin customer and I am rethinking this. We need to protect life at all levels and I ask that Origin Energy and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources make this their central consideration.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental

Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

4. The use of dangerous chemicals poses huge risks to the environment, water and community health and are exacerbated by the use of open storage tanks. There are some really concerning chemicals that Origin Energy plans to use down well and store on-site over the dry and wet seasons. This means that the chemicals will not only be used down the well in the high pressure fracking process, but will also pose a risk at the surface when in open storage as flowback fluid.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml

[5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Frances Murrell

This email was sent by Frances Murrell via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Frances provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Frances Murrell at *********.

Musgrave, Fiona – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 15:07:05

Subject	Objection to Origin's Kyalla frack site in the NT
From	Fiona Musgrave
Sent	25/05/2019 3:07:05 PM

Dear Onshore Gas division,

I am writing to express my objection to the Environmental Management Plan submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the Northern Territory.

My key concerns with this plan are outlined below.

FRACKING SUBSTANCES ARE POISON

The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use are harmful to health. The list of substances Origin want to use have known health impacts. An independent review of the substances shows they are linked to: acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage, burns, and cancer. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Plus there are 'trade name' fracking chemicals that do not have any health data available.

OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK

It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or 'tanks' to store the toxic flowback fluid.

This flowback and drilling fluid is full of nasties including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.

Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.

WET SEASON RISKS WITH WASTE ON SITE

It is deeply concerning that instead of storing toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks, Origin are planning open dams all through the wet and dry seasons. Not only could this kill birds, but extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.

Origin's site is upstream of Lake Woods, a place of international significance for biodiversity. The catchment should be off limits to fracking.

TRANSPORT RISKS AND TOURISM IMPACTS

Origin says they care about cumulative impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.

Plus, Origin want to dump on Queensland and truck the toxic waste to an undetermined site. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste that there is no permanent disposal solution for. This is unacceptable.

BUSHFIRE RISKS AND TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS

This area is sensitive to bushfires. Rural Fire Brigades have been calling for gas companies to stop ignition sources and flaring on total fire ban days. Origin must be made to stop all flaring on total fire ban days.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Yours sincerely, Fiona Musgrave Goodwood, Tasmania, 7010, Australia

This email was sent by Fiona Musgrave via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Fiona provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Fiona Musgrave at *********.

Musgrave, Fiona – Saturday, 25 May 2019 – 15:18:55

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Fiona Musgrave
Sent	25/05/2019 3:18:55 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Fiona Musgrave Glenorchy, Tasmania, 7010, Australia

This email was sent by Fiona Musgrave via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Fiona provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Fiona Musgrave at *********.

Musgrave, Fiona – Tuesday, 28 May 2019 – 20:28:39

Subject	Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan for the Kyalla Drilling
-	and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2
From	Fiona Musgrave
Sent	28/05/2019 8:28:39 PM

To whom it may concern.

You may not be aware of the Natural Laws, yet they exist. Man made law has no authority over them. Balance will occur; therefore, spiritual want for non fracking must be adhered to. The environment does not exist; simply for mans game of economic monopoly. Neither for obsessive materialism and absolutely not for inequality and division between people! We can all live comfortably and with abundance of all things, without fracking! Violating fundamental ethics to play monetary success is not winning in life! It is not healthy! People are thriving and are also happier without money and or idolisation for economic wealth!

Energy sources are available whereby fracking has been unneeded! It is destructive and dysfunctional behaviour for humans to frack at the expense of our earths welfare! Instead of playing with money and working like slaves for Uber wealthy socio paths; change to Trading time, skills and natural goods that will not harm the balance of life! End fracking now!

Muyderman, Lovisa - Thursday, 30 May 2019 - 15:23:29

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Lovisa Muyderman
Sent	30/05/2019 3:23:29 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wpcontent/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Lovisa Muyderman Adelaide, South Australia, 5000, Australia

This email was sent by Lovisa Muyderman via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at **********, however Lovisa provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Lovisa Muyderman at *********.

Myatt, Sally – Wednesday, 29 May 2019 – 14:49:39

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) in Northern
	Terriroty
From	Sally Myatt
Sent	29/05/2019 2:49:39 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream. which is a major concern.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Sally Myatt Minyama, Queensland, 4575, Australia

This email was sent by Sally Myatt via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Sally provided an email address (**********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Sally Myatt at *********.

Myers, Allison - Thursday, 23 May 2019 - 18:12:37

Subject	Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
From	Allison Myers
Sent	23/05/2019 6:12:37 PM

To whom it may concern at the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR),

Re: Objection to Origin Energy's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding this issue.

I write this submission to ask the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to outright reject Origin Energy's EMP to protect the land, water, health and wellbeing of impacted communities as well as our shared future from climate change.

- 1. Approval of this EMP will lead to irreversible climate change impacts for people of the Northern Territory and beyond. The Northern Territory is already experiencing the impacts of climate change, and is predicted to be one of the most severely impacted if emissions are not rapidly reduced [1]. Remote Aboriginal communities across the NT feel this first and worst: extreme heat waves, water shortages and more extreme flooding could force many Aboriginal people to move off their country. Approving this EMP, one of nine exploration wells, would signal the Beetaloo Basin as "open for business" to the expansion of the gas industry, potentially leading to emissions 20 times Australia's total current annual emissions [2]. This would pose a serious climate change threat to communities across the NT and beyond.
- 2. Storage of wastewater in open air tanks poses unacceptable risks and is incompatible with the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry) recommendation 7.12 that stated "enclosed tanks must be used to hold all wastewater." [3] Climate change means that seasons and weather patterns are changing, particularly across the NT in relation to wet season (Oct 2018 to April 2019 was the driest wet season since 1992 and the hottest wet season on record) [4]. This means that there can be big storms out of season, and having open tanks with fracking wastewater (at any time of the year) would put drinking water, wildlife and health of community members and children at risk, including communities up and downstream.
- 3. Origin Energy have failed to appropriately consult with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal people and impacted communities. A report from the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS) found that most, if not all, exploration permits issued in the Northern Territory (including Origin Energy) for unconventional gas were issued in the absence of Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Traditional Owners [5]. Furthermore, the Inquiry found that Aboriginal communities overwhelmingly opposed fracking on their land. The findings from the UTS report suggest reasons for concerns regarding all of Origin Energy's consultation practices, including consultation regarding this Environmental Management Plan with all Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas impacted both directly and indirectly.

For these reasons, any plans for drilling and hydraulic fracturing, including exploration, should not be allowed to go ahead under any circumstances.

Below are a list of my recommendations:

- 1. The DENR should take a precautionary approach to the cumulative climate impacts of this exploration well knowing the risk of the expansion of the gas industry in the Northern Territory will have dangerous and irreversible impacts on our climate in a time when we need to rapidly decarbonise the global economy and energy system.
- 2. All waste water should be held in enclosed tanks at all times.
- 3. We request that additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the areas directly and indirectly impacted by this EMP to consider this information and be given a fair chance to ask questions and respond.
- 4. All chemicals must be adequately health tested before being used in any fracking processes. They should also require companies to publicly disclose the identities and Chemical Abstracts Service numbers of chemicals that are manufactured commercially, and identify oil and gas wells in which the chemicals are used.

I write this submission in support of many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory, primarily within the Beetaloo region, who are concerned about the potential damages that fracking could cause to water, to country, to songlines as well as the long term effects of climate change.

- [1] The Australia Institute "Cooked with gas" 2018 http://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/P510%20Cooked%20with%20gas%20-%20Darwin%20days%20over%2035C%20FINAL.pdf
- [2] The Australia Institute "NT gas compared to coal-fired power plants" http://www.tai.org.au/content/nt-gas-compared-coal-fired-power-plants
- [3] Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018 https://frackinginquiry.nt.gov.au/inquiry-reports?a=494286
- [4] Bureau of Meteorology "Seasonal Climate Summary for Northern Territory" http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/current/season/nt/summary.shtml
- [5] Jumbunna Institute for Education and Research "Hydraulic Fracturing and Free, Prior and Informed Consent in the Northern Territory: A Literature Review "https://accr.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Jumbunna-FPIC-review-final.pdf

Yours sincerely, Allison Myers Croydon, Victoria, 3136, Australia

This email was sent by Allison Myers via Do Gooder, a website that allows people to contact you regarding issues they consider important. In accordance with web protocol FC 3834 we have set the FROM field of this email to our generic no-reply address at ************, however Allison provided an email address (*********) which we included in the REPLY-TO field.

Please reply to Allison Myers at *********.