SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY INTO HYDRAULIC FRACTURING IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY



Consolidated Pastoral Co Submission #418

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Email:

Dear Mr Setter

RE: HYDRAULIC FRACTURING INQUIRY – INFORMATION REQUEST

I refer to the *Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing of Unconventional Reservoirs in the Northern Territory* (**the Inquiry**), which was established by the Northern Territory Government under the *Inquiries Act 1945* (NT) in late 2016 to investigate the impacts and risks of hydraulic fracturing of onshore shale gas reservoirs and associated activities on the environmental, social, economic and cultural conditions in the Northern Territory.

On 1 August 2017 Ms Naomi Hogan from Lock the Gate advised the Inquiry that Consolidated Pastoral Company commissioned water studies on its pastoral leases in and around the Beetaloo Sub-basin.

Please provide the Inquiry with further information about the studies, including the purpose, methodology, and when the studies are expected to be completed.

In order to meet current reporting timeframes, please respond no later than <u>18</u> <u>August 2017</u>.

Yours sincerely

THE HON JUSTICE RACHEL PEPPER Chair

2 August 2017