

SHIRE OF DENMARK SUBMISSION

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Office of Gas Regulation
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Att: Dr Ken Michael

Dear Sir

Re: Submission on Draft Decision on Proposed Transportation Charges

I understand that your office is calling for submissions on proposed alterations to the transportation charges for gas for the Dampier to Bunbury Natural Gas Pipeline.

I do not see this small Council accommodating any large industries that will require an extensive gas resource. I am however concerned that one key resource holding back industrial development and growth of the Great Southern region is the lack of a connection to the Dampier to Perth Natural Gas Pipeline.

Studies have recognised the need for a gas supply to service the larger industries that have not yet been established because of the lack of a good reliable power source that is efficient and has adequate capacity.

I urge you to consider the future growth of the Great Southern region in any decisions made in respect to transportation charges. The charges set must allow for the provider to have adequate capacity for future expansion into the Great Southern.

Yours faithfully,

Colleen Donnelly
Shire President