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Dear Sir,

PROPOSED TRANSPORTATION CHARGES - DBNGP

The Harvey Shire Council has been a leading South West local authority in paving the way for the responsible introduction of heavy industry into our region, with its involvement in the establishment of the Kemerton Industrial Park in 1988.

Since this time, Council and the region has continued to be frustrated by the lack of interest being shown by heavy industry in establishing at Kemerton, mainly because of the lack of appropriate infrastructure.

The introduction of the Dampier to Bunbury Natural Gas Pipeline will provide a significant step forward to making Kemerton an attractive place for heavy industry to come to.

This Council is concerned that your recent decision to regulate transportation charges on Epic Energy for natural gas will impact on the viability of the project and worse still, deter the provision of the product at Kemerton.

We request that you consider the regulation of transportation charges most carefully and that our efforts here in the South West are not impacted upon by your decision reached.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

KEITH J. LEECE
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

2nd August, 2001.