

LABOR LEADERS: WILL YOU LET GREATNESS BE DESTROYED?

Dear Prime Minister Albanese, Premier Miles, Premier Minns, Premier Malinauskas, and Chief Minister Lawler,

Imagine if a company proposed pumping dirty emissions from a coal fired power station into Sydney Harbour, Kakadu, the Great Barrier Reef or under the Barossa.

Yet, here we are, very close to Glencore having all the approvals it needs to do something similar to the Great Artesian Basin.

Combating climate change is supposed to do good not cause damage.

AgForce, Industry and Communities across Australia seek your urgent intervention to stop this potential environmental disaster.

The Great Artesian Basin is one of the largest and most pristine water resources left in the world – over 130,000 times bigger than Sydney Harbour – and provides water to hundreds of communities. It sits under approximately 30% of Australia.

The Basin generates approximately \$13 billion each year, sustaining agriculture and the natural landscape across QLD, SA, NSW and the NT – it's the lifeblood of inland Australia and has been relied upon by indigenous populations for thousands of years.

Under the proposed three-year trial, Glencore subsidiary Carbon Transport and Storage Corporation (CTSCo) plans to liquefy CO₂ from the Millmerran coal-fired power station and then inject up to 110,000 tonnes of liquified CO₂ per year into the Precipice Sandstone, a groundwater formation in the Basin.

There is concrete scientific evidence that CO₂ reacts with underground rock, releasing stored toxins including arsenic and lead to levels present in the water that make it unsafe and even lethal.

Would you prefer contamination with such chemicals rather than a safe and reliable water source?

The idea that such a trial could even be considered, beggars' belief. The possibility it may be approved is staggering and simply unacceptable. Risking a site such as the Basin for carbon capture and storage is not the way to reach your climate targets.

The Basin has become a target, and its future is in jeopardy. Justifiably, communities affected are angry, frustrated and deeply concerned.

Many of your own constituents across the very States and Territory that rely on this vital water supply are not even aware such a proposal is on the table.

This issue urgently needs to be on the national agenda.

I expect most Australians will be outraged and you have a duty to listen to their concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Guerin

AgForce



Dear Fellow Australians,

We would like to invite those who wish to do so, to provide a donation to assist us ensure this proposal is put aside.

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On behalf of Food and Fibre producers and Regional communities - thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Guerin

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