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To: Committee, ECA (SEN) **Subject:** Re volume of salt

During the interview of the QRC and Santos representatives, there was some confusion about the total volume of salt likely to be produced in the Surat Basin.

To re-iterate my figures, they are based upon the **annual** water production figures supplied in the Qld state government's Blueprint for the LNG document (max 281GL) and the APPEA submission to your committee (max300GL). At a medium figure of 6000ppm salt, (the water ranges from less than 2,000ppm to 10,000ppm salt, and it is well know that the water from the current Santos field is at the lower end of the range) the simple maths yields 50,000,000 tons of salt (approximately) over the 30 year life of the CSG developments.

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