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re submission to the Senate Inquiry into
the Environmental Regulation of Uranium Mining

Dear Sir/Madam,

With the committee inquiring
into Environmental Regulation of Uranium mining
I am asking it to renew the following mines and
mineral leases, Beverley and Honeymoon both
are and going in situ leach (ISL) mining technique.
As well the Ranger, Jabiluka and Koongarra in
Kakadu.

With the Beverley and Honeymoon (ISL) mines
both the federal and state government of South
Australia must commit to protection of ground
water. That includes no discharge of mine
waste to groundwater to ~~prohibit~~ prohibit
underground leaks into connected ~~to~~ aquifers
and to require rehabilitation of mining impacts
on groundwater. The Inquiry must recommend
increased monitoring of operations and public
reporting of all radioactive leaks. The Inquiry must
also insist on a new public environmental assessment.

of the management of mine wastes.

With the mines at Kakadu, the Federal and Northern Territory governments to facilitate the rehabilitation, lease relinquishment and incorporation of the Jabiruka and Koongarra mineral leases into Kakadu National Park.

The inquiry recommend to Rio Tinto and relevant government agencies to support a phase out, exit and rehabilitation strategy for Ranger mine, including aiding the establishment of a viable Aboriginal economy independent of mining.

The Inquiry to articulate a credible action plan to prevent the development rehabilitate the impacts and incorporate the mineral lease of the Jabiruka site, in order to protect the Region's World Heritage property and values.

The Inquiry to articulate a second credible action plan for Federal and Northern Territory governments to act, to reduce environmental impacts of operations at Ranger, and for monitoring, reporting and regulatory regimes be strengthened to include more event based monitoring, increased monitoring scope and trigger points and enhanced reporting.

Yours sincerely

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