

Western Australian Government lifts Fracking Moratorium on Buru's Exploration Permits

Buru Energy welcomes the release of the report prepared by the Independent Scientific Panel Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing. The conclusions mirror every other scientific inquiry that has been conducted in Australia. The report concludes that fracking is low risk and can be conducted safely if properly executed and regulated.

We also note the Western Australian government's intention to provide a regulatory framework that will ensure that the industry is operating in a transparent manner and that any risks and challenges are appropriately managed. We also note that Buru Energy is already operating in a manner that generally meets or exceeds these proposed regulatory changes.

The conclusion of this inquiry should give parties with a genuine interest in the industry confidence that we can continue our operations in a best practice framework and should also provide further confidence to the 80% of Kimberley people who made submissions to the inquiry supporting our activity.

Buru has defined a major accumulation of natural gas in the Canning Basin and has undertaken fracking activity in three wells with no impact on the environment. It has been prevented from further appraising and developing this resource by the moratorium and inquiry process and welcomes the Government's intention to lift the moratorium over its existing permits.

The inquiry confirms our belief that development of this resource can be undertaken safely and with little impact on the social and environmental values of the Canning Basin.

We also look forward to continuing our engagement with the Traditional Owners of the area, who should draw considerable comfort from this inquiry's findings. We note that these findings are also in accordance with the scientific reviews carried out into Buru's activities by the Traditional Owner groups with whom we operate. These independent reviews also concluded that fracking activities were of low risk and could be conducted safely.

The development of the natural gas resources of the Canning Basin will generate jobs, local business opportunities and the social investments that gas companies make to help build a better future for the communities in which we operate.

Most importantly, it will provide a pathway to a long term sustainable future for the traditional owners in the area by providing jobs, business opportunities and social and economic benefits.

The next step for Buru and the other operators in the basin is to continue with our exploration and appraisal activity to build on our already extensive knowledge of the gas resources and the environment and the social framework, to enable us to make informed decisions on future development.

We look forward to bringing the benefits that natural gas can provide to the whole of northern Western Australia.

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