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Attention: Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir,

The DomGas Alliance has highlighted several concerns about the economic and social impacts for Western Australia from the use of floating LNG technology for the Browse gas project.

The Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association has now responded in a lengthy letter referring not to the Browse project but to the Prelude FLNG project. (Letters, 21.12.13)

This is a straw man argument as the DomGas Alliance comments made no mention of the Prelude project and raised no objection to it.

The DomGas Alliance rejects the suggestion that there must be a choice made between growing the LNG export industry and growing the domestic economy, industry and jobs. The history of the North West Shelf project has shown it is not an "either or" decision. Western Australia can and should have both.

Therefore the question is not what is in the best interests of the companies seeking to exploit the rich Browse gas reserves; the question is what is in the best long-term interests of Western Australia, its industry, its workers and its future.

The DomGas Alliance is asking the right question.

Yours sincerely,

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