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THE FUTURE IS HERE

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Western Australia’s Supreme Court has ruled against the Government’s plans to compulsorily acquire land in the Kimberley to be used for a gas hub, says Opposition Leader, Terry Mills.

“The judgement is a serious slap to the Western Australian Government and vindicates INPEX’ decision to look to the Territory to develop the Ichthys field,” Mr Mills said.

“The decision by the Western Australian Labor Government not to actively pursue INPEX was a serious mistake that has come back to haunt the Barnett Coalition Government.

“But the latest failure to secure land for a north-western gas hub shows the search for suitable sites for major developments is turning into a farce.

“It was only weeks ago the Western Australian Government was suggesting it was still a chance to secure INPEX.

“Not a hope!

“The Territory has a bright future as a northern Australian gas hub and the Country Liberals will work to help industry set up base here by slashing red tape and establishing a primary point of contact for businesses looking to undertake major projects.”

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