

Submission
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INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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I am deeply distressed by, and opposed to, the prospect of Coal Seam Gas development. I am fearful for the future safety and quality of our water. Water that gives and supports life in all its forms. I am concerned about the waste management of this process. I am concerned about the carbon emissions created by the huge volumes of trucks required to ship in the massive amounts of water needed for fracking to occur. I am disturbed by the plan to invest time and money in a process that we know to be wasteful, dangerous and leave a legacy that will take far too long to repair. I am tired of short term views and money driven decisions that have lasting impacts on the health of our land and communities. I am aware that there are alternative power supply options, already available here and overseas, that would fulfill our power needs. I realise the big dollars are appealing to those in power but I feel passionately that Australia needs to refuse to spend anymore time and money on power options that come with a huge environmental cost. I am tired of short term views and money driven decisions being made that have lasting impacts on the health of our land and communities. Please, please invest those resources into 100% renewable energy sources. Let us be a progressive society and finally make the commitment to energy outcomes that are healthy for us as individuals, healthy for our country and healthy for our planet.