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INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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 Committee No. 5
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PH:

Dear Sir,

I am writing as a very, very concerned
 resident of the Manning Valley regarding
 Coal Seam Gas mining

It is an issue which I have been following for
 some time now, and realise the threat to our
 Community, as well as many other communities.

An overwhelming majority of people in the Manning
 Valley do not want Coal Seam Gas mining.

We have seen what has happened in America, in
 Queensland, and now in Gloucester. Many people,
 including children, have become ill, with high incidence
 of respiratory problems, among other serious health
 problems.

We hear often of mishaps - leaking gas, leaking and
 flooding of toxic water. The risks are huge.
 Coal Seam Gas mining threatens our clean water,
 agriculture, tourism, land values, clean environment,
 jobs, rural lifestyle, sense of security in our own
 homes, and a threat to families remaining healthy.

The Manning Valley could become an industrial
 site - noise, toxic pollution of air, soil and water
 high powered lights, in-roads, trucks, drilling rigs
 loss of privacy, changing and weakening the rock
 sub-structure, risking subsidence of who knows
 what magnitude.

What unknown environmental catastrophes are
 we leaving for our children.

Yours faithfully