

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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General purpose standing Committee No. 5
parliament House
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Re: parliamentary Inquiry into Coal Seam Gas

Dear sir/madam,

Objection to any form of gas extraction
from any process as the permanent impacts
of mining for this resource in both NSW
& QLD or elsewhere show this industry
to be a dirty, permanent scar on the
natural environment, our natural water
resources destroyed, poisoned, discharged.
causing permanent harm to all life.

The affects on CSG - SCGas and their
affects on the environment. Should be of great
concern - enough concern to realise this industry
based on "desk top analysis" and "hypotheticals"

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is a dirty chemical industry, altering the balance of the natural environment - ground water - recharge for creeks, rivers from aquifers all affected.

We need to acknowledge health affects overseas and in QLD by gas extraction as very real and alarming enough. **Not proceed with this industry - ever!**

We all need to move away from the use of fossil fuels - absolutely. We need to Stop Coal Seam Gas, Shale Seam Gas, Natural Gas extraction/mining from continuing anywhere.

This is not a cleaner alternative to ~~coal~~ ^{coal} - its a dirty industry - full of unknown until catastrophes happen - then like the hot mud in Indonesia caused by drilling in the ~~ocean~~ ocean - this area is destroyed for all times - anywhere these companies drill is a problem waiting to happen:

Instead of these companies debunking Josh Fox and his Gas and Documentary - they must finally realise ~~that~~ ^{their} industry is unacceptable and must not proceed.

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CSG - at the expense of the economic benefit of an area - The Gloucestershire Stroud - South to 12 mile creek out to part Stephens and a River system to Taneer are all under Direct threat from CSG - Cf - AGL Gas that will seek River discharge into the environment - into people/towns drinking water.

Tourism in all areas in time will be affected who in their right mind would travel to a valley of gas wells - or beat on a river surrounded by Gas wells - No one. So stop the industry before it destroys every other occupation not connected with the CSG industry.

Future needs

move away from coal - Stop the use of CSG - SSC entirely - use the Sun - wind + water to generate electricity.
 give people the opportunity to remove themselves off the grid and become more or completely self sufficient.

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No one should force by acquisition or force out people off their land by Gov. approved mining and/or development.

people should be able to exercise common Law rights of "No Trespass".

people work hard to own their own land - and the last thing people want or need is to be pushed and bullied by mining companies ^{rushing people into} selling their land when they really don't want to.

4) Use the precautionary principle Re CSG and Shale Seam Gas, Gas exploration in/near water creeks/Rivers, Swamps and oceans -

The industry is not safe - so it shouldn't go anywhere near the above - and it produces toxic residue on the land so it shouldn't be government approved anywhere.

5) No other industry operates like this industry - central processing facility -

c) Industry - Central processing facility -
pipeline - Freezing plant - flaring gas
wells - generators by Per gas well -
Per plant - noise pollution - air pollution -
land pollution - toxic chemicals - toxic water

nothing this industry does is a good (5)
industry to allow to continue in NSW or
any part of Australia -

Put a permanent stop on CSG, Gas,
methane Gas extraction, gas mining
before we all end up in
Australia's gas wasteland.

Stop this industry while you still can
please, from proceeding any further.

Thank you

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I will type this up and post with
photos of our concern as to why
this industry should be stopped.