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INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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It's imperative that the government puts a stop to the CSG industry and it does an independent assessment of all the potential impacts of CSG on the environment and our health and lives. Obviously the risk of disturbing the natural aquifers, the soil, the extraction of water, the contamination with the chemicals used and other chemicals released during the fracking, the storage and transport of waste, ie, chemicals and saline, land subsidence, etc have an enormous potential of impacting the environment, our drinking water, our food and the biodiversity.

I live in the Campbelltown area and I don't think that AGL should have approval of the Camden Project- stage 3, because they would be drilling under our homes destroying our livelihood and it would be the end of our much love Scenic Hills with all its treasures within: layers of heritage including aboriginal artefacts of high sensitivity, critically endangered species of fauna and animals, colonial landscapes and historic estates.

AGL plans to put wells on 'sensitive' land: churches, schools, monasteries and the landholders say it threatens their viability and have refused permission.