Submission No 524

INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

Name:

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Dear Sir / Madame,

I am completely opposed to the development of coal seam gas in NSW.

This is due to the due to the false emissions saving when considering the entire cycle from extraction to end use.

Additionally as an ecological restoration practitioner for 17 years I am well aware of the long term impacts of such developments. The impacts upon ground and surface water are massive and irreversible. Damage to ground water storage and water waste are unacceptable.

Impacts upon tourism are bound to be substantial.

Impacts upon property values are well documented in Australia and overseas.

I am personally aware of the poor quality environmental impact assessments and site surveys prior to construction.

Chemical pollution of the soil and water are unacceptable. This process contributes to this process in an unprecedented manner with the use of assorted chemicals during the drilling & fracking process.

I request that this manner of energy extraction be completely abandoned as there is no possibility of conducting this in an acceptable manner