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INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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I acknowledge the business argument around economic implications of putting a total ban on this type of mining but I strongly question the economic rationale of short term gain over long term benefits.

It may sound ridiculous to say in a period of reckless exploitation that we are just custodians and do not own the earth outright but this is a fact as we don't stay here forever.

In this spirit I beseech you to implement a total ban. It is quite clear judging from many independent studies that all aspects of CSG will result in long term negative effect on our precious environment.

So it is not unreasonable; France, South Africa have banned it outright.

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