

INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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Inquiry into Coal Seaming Gas – Submission

As a resident of Camden and it's neighbouring suburbs I have a grave concern for the progress of Coal Seaming Gas within the area without being fully informed and educated on its short term and long term effects to humans, plants, animals, air and water.

Already Campbelltown and its surrounds have reports of being one of the highest polluted areas within Sydney, this includes high rates of asthma and its ever increasing bouts in our children. There is also an increase in intellectually disabled people and we want to know why? Could our water or air be affecting pregnant mothers? There needs to be more extensive studies into the Coal Seaming Gas mining before they start doing any more around the area.

Why are there so many gas extrusion points required when only a certain amount can last for 5000 years?

We want to know all the chemicals that are being used and what the short and long term effects are on our quality of life. Where are the independent studies done on this mining? Give the public the information it deserves.

Why are we allowing 'Fracking' here when is France is banning it?

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The overwhelming vote by the National Assembly follows months of protest across France against a technique that environmentalists say threatens to pollute the water table. Many were outraged at the beginning of the year when it was discovered that several exploration permits had been granted without public consultation. The issue has become highly political as the government prepares for a difficult presidential campaign next year.

Far from claiming victory, environmentalists and opposition Socialists accused the government of yielding to industry lobbying, because last-minute amendments to the draft law will allow scientific research to be conducted on shale gas and oil and its environmental impact, albeit under the control of state entities. The government will deliver an annual report to parliament on the conditions of this research, the first due by the end of the year.'

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Why are we ruining our land and quality of life for the gas to be exported overseas!?

Cambelltown and Camden have a good reputation for progressing as a Australia's first green city will be ruined.

There have been eight new estates created over the last 10 years and there is no to little information about the potential Coal Seaming Gas mining advertised when you purchase land for a new house, where most people want to have a family and watch their children grow up. We have the right for ourselves, our children and our children's children to grow up in a clean, healthy environment.

We are trying to live sustainable lives in our communities through sustainable living, but this will all come undone with Coal Seaming Gas mining.

Let the people vote!! It should not be left up to AGL and local governments.

Yours sincerely

