

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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re:CSG Inquiry

I am a concerned citizen of planet earth and NSW, Australia. As the pressure mounts to either endorse or question the true value of CSG mining, many individuals, agencies, scientists and various experts around the globe are becoming informed of the risks to vital life sustaining factors. There is great interest and debate going on about this process and it's related impact on; health and well being, food security and agriculture, water quality, environmental land impact / fracking intrusion, detrimental emissions, and social divisions between individual, company and governmental interests.

The mining industry presents a seemingly innocent and necessary picture, but looking closely, is this a true appraisal? The impact of CSG extraction could be more devastating than any short-term financial benefits. This is an age of re-evaluation! We are looking at massive changes in energy technology because we HAVE TO. Now is the time to pause, reflect and research. Please do not be rushed to make premature decisions. There is time to be more informed with a just and proper Parliamentary inquiry.