

**Supplementary
Submission
No 106a**

INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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Dear Madam,

RE: INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS – SUBMISSION NO.106

Thankyou for your letter dated 7 September 2011 acknowledging my Submission to the Coal Seam Gas Inquiry.

By way of background to my Submission please find :-

- (i) Higgins Valuation – Nanima
- (ii) Letter of Offer dated 16/9/2011 – ERM POWER to NB.
- (iii) Copy of Email correspondence ERM POWER & NB
- (iv) Extract from Submissions Report - Sec 4.23.4 – ERM POWER
- (v) Extract from Director General's EA Report
- (vi) Political Donations Disclosure Statement 15/7/09
- (vii) Media Release – Kristina Keneally 18/3/2009
- (viii) ASX Media Release - Santos

Could you please note :-

- (a) ERM POWER did not reply to my counter offer to settle.
- (b) The Higgins Valuation was commissioned by myself and not paid for by ERM Power.
- (c) ERM POWER paid in excess of \$66000.00 to the ALP in political donations which were declared.
- (d) Sec 4.23.4 states that ERM Power offered twice market value of Nanima. The Higgins Valuation shows they only offered two thirds of market value.
- (e) There has been no progress on negotiations post Approvals been granted

This heavy handed approach and the fact that no physical work has begun on the Power Station, and is unlikely to begin until 2014 has effectively placed me in a most serious financial position. The subdivision blocks on my property are virtually unsaleable. There has been no work done by ERM Power in mitigating potential noise impacts during the construction phase and in my view the Director General of Planning has been deceived.

ERM Power signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Eastern Star Gas (ESG) to pipe coal seam gas from Narrabri to Wellington . Santos is now in the process of acquiring ESG (see Press Release ASX).

Yours sincerely,

Nat Barton