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## **INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS**

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I believe the following should be minimum requirements for CSG:

A full moratorium on all forms of coal seam gas drilling until the environmental, social and health impacts have been rigorously and independently assessed.

Coal seam gas exploration and mining to be made subject to all relevant environmental legislation, including the native vegetation and water management laws.

The provision of standing to ensure that the community has full legal rights to challenge and enforce environmental laws under which coal seam gas companies are operating.

A prohibition on coal seam gas exploration and mining in important bushland, scenic & valuable farmland as classified by Local Government authorities, groundwater aquifers, residential areas and public lands.

A requirement that all chemicals used in coal seam gas drilling or fracking must be assessed by the chemical regulator for use for that purpose before being approved for use.