

Submission
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INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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I am very unhappy with the lack of regulation of the CSG industry. I am very concerned about the risks posed to ground and surface water, agricultural land, areas of high tourist and environmental value and the risks to public health by CSG extraction.

I am unhappy with the current planning laws that allow mining companies rights over and above those of individuals and communities.

I am unhappy about CSG extraction proximal to residential areas.

I would call on the government to exercise precautionary principal with regard to this process, and extend the current moratorium on exploration, until rigorous and conclusive scientific studies have been carried out which properly assess the risks of this method of gas production.