

Submission

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INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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We as a nation need to be looking at a greener, cleaner future which does not involve Coal Seam Gas Mining.

As a very concerned citizen I demand:

1. Full moratorium on all forms of CSG drilling until the environmental, social and health impacts have been rigorously and independently assessed.
2. CSG exploration and mining to be made subject to all relevant environmental legislation, including the native vegetation and water management laws.
3. The provision of standing to ensure the community has full legal rights to challenge and enforce environmental laws under which CSG companies are operating.
4. The provision of a right to the Petroleum (onshore) Act to allow land holders to refuse consent for exploration or production on their land.
5. A prohibition on CSG exploration and mining in important bushland, valuable farmland, ground water aquifers, residential areas and public lands.
6. A requirement that all chemicals used in CSG drilling or fracking must be assessed by the chemical regulator for use for that purpose before being approved for use.

thank you.