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INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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"LOCK THE GATES"

BUT UNFORTUNATELY THE HORSE HAS ALREADY BOLTED DUE TO A TOTAL LACK OF ACCOUNTABILITY WHEN STATE GOVERNMENTS HAVE IN THE PAST GRANTED EXPLORATION LICENCES TO MINING COMPANIES.

WE ARE NOW BEEN TOLD THAT GAS MINING IS BEEN DONE ALL OVER THE WORLD - IF THE EXPERIENCES FROM U.S.A. M. GASLANDS; QUEENSLAND/NEW SOUTH WALES AUSTRALIA - LEAKING TOXIC GAS WELLS; INDONESIA - MUD VOLCANO WITH THOUSANDS OF HECTARES OF LAND DESTROYED AND TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE DISPLACED (REFUGEES). IS THIS REALLY THE PRICE WE HAVE TO PAY FOR AN INDUSTRY WHERE PROFIT IS THE ONLY FACTOR THAT IS CONSIDERED.

GIVEN THAT THERE WOULD APPEAR TO BE A TOTAL LACK OF KNOWLEDGE, PEER-REVIEWED INVESTIGATION, STRINGENT REGULATION OR ANY OTHER CONSIDERATION AND THEN EXPECT A LOCAL COUNCIL TO APPROVE D.A'S (DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS FOR GAS FIRED POWER STATIONS, THOUSANDS OF GAS WELLS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY, GAS PIPE LINES THROUGH HERITAGE LISTED NATANIAL PARKS, TOXIC SALT WADEN EVAPORATION PONDS IS AN ABSOLUTE INSULT TO THE PEOPLE.

BAN COAL SEAM GAS MINING NOW.

IT IS NOT SUSTAINABLE NOR RENEWABLE.
KEEP OUR GROUND AND SUB-TERRIAN WATER UNPOLLUTED.

Yours Sincerely.

(Ms. Y.M. NEWTON.)