

**Submission  
No 111**

## **INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS**

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The Director  
General Purpose Standing Committee No. 5  
Parliament House  
Macquarie St  
Sydney NSW 2000

**Re: Coal Seam Methane Exploration/ Production in Fullerton Cove NSW**

**Dear Minister,**

As a resident and voter in the area affected by the proposed operations of Dart Energy in pursuit of coal seam methane gas, I present my concerns and ask your intervention to have our area excised from the exploration area and/or action to ensure that our rights, properties, way of life and rural assets are protected.

1. Exploration is proposed in rural holdings and on productive farms.
2. Inappropriate use of agricultural, tourism & lifestyle areas for prolonged industrial purposes.
3. Siting and testing of wells in close proximity to homes, working sheds & food-producing areas.
4. Proposing activities on historical and recently evidenced flood plain areas.
5. Waterways and aquifers targeted and at risk of irrecoverable damage.
6. Risk of gas leaks venting from natural faults, through wells or via leaky wellheads.
7. Land and business devaluations without consideration or compensation.
8. Destruction of the natural beauty and amenity of the area.
9. Introduction of unnatural, unnecessary & unacceptable levels of noise, visual, water & air pollution.
10. Ignoring & rejecting the common law & democratic rights of the people.

Yours sincerely

Ray Dean