

Submission  
No 683

## INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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Partially Confidential

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this submission to express my gravest concerns regarding the Coal Seam Gas Industry. There are so many serious issues with the extraction of CSG that they far outweigh the benefits. I am concerned that the chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing will contaminate groundwater aquifers especially the Great Artesian Basin and this will have far reaching consequences, such as impacts to arable lands, toxicity to humans in close proximity to CSG mines. I am also worried for the destruction of habitat and the many species that this will affect. With Australia being a very arid continent I feel that this industry uses such huge volumes of water to make it unsustainable and not viable as a long term industry.

Regards