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## INQUIRY INTO COAL SEAM GAS

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I would like to add my endorsement to the Stop CSG Sydney Submission. I am particularly concerned about the damaging effects of dangerous chemicals that are used in the process of coal seam gas extraction on the health of the population. As a result of coal seam gas mining these chemicals are present in the air and also in the 'produced' water. They can also seep into the water table. This is a real worry for me.

Water is becoming a scarce resource and this industry is set to make the problem of water scarcity even more serious as it requires excessive volumes of clean water to operate. I find this absurd and distressing. How can a responsible government support this?

I am concerned that clean energy needs to be supported now but time and money is being wasted on promoting unclean energies such as coal seam gas. Clean energies have been used in Europe for many years such as the solar thermal plant currently providing thousands with clean power. If they can do it, so can Australia.

Now is the time to make important decisions for our country and you are in a position to do this. Please think carefully about the population whose future is in your hands.

Yours faithfully,

Josie Evans