

**Submission  
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**INQUIRY INTO PETROLEUM (ONSHORE) AMENDMENT  
(CANCELLATION OF ZOMBIE PETROLEUM  
EXPLORATION LICENCES) BILL 2021**

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Our PEL 428 expired on 14/9/2012. How is it still sitting on a list somewhere and has not gone away. We have had this hanging over our heads for years. When was the renewal application submitted? If an actual PEL can only be granted for up to six years, how then can it be expired for nearly 9 years and it is still hanging around.

We have been able to look up information for years on a half decent website. Now, with the new improved website, <https://www.resourcesandgeoscience.nsw.gov.au/landholders-and-community/coal-seam-gas/information-on-petroleum-titles> we just get error messages. <https://www.resourcesandgeoscience.nsw.gov.au/landholders-and-community/coal-seam-gas?a=283827>

The new website is harder to use and we can not print one list of any sort ie: Pels, applications, expired pels etc. You can only look at a PEL one by one, many of us can not find a simple list. I was told that if a Pel was expired, then reissued that a percentage of the Pel was forfeited due to not being used. Is this fact and if so will this continue to happen?

This industry is bad enough but when we are fighting to get rid of something that should already be gone is majorly frustrating. We must protect our GAB at all costs and the extinguishing of these Pels will be a start.