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To the enquiry panel

I am strongly opposed to CSG in Victoria.

My main concerns for CSG are as follows:

- health implications to our community and state.
- Environmental implications from CSG.

Being unable to guarantee no water contamination or air pollution levels. The loose regulations surrounding the industry, I don't believe can be adequately enforced or even followed by the mining companies. We need to be looking at renewable energies not going backwards with environmental damaging practices.

- Food production impacts from CSG for Victoria, I buy locally grown produce and want to buy more, however CSG will take away prime agricultural land for food production in this state.
- No benefits to Victorians communities. Jobs will be lost in the agricultural and tourism industries, and money will be made to benefit the big mining companies.
- CSG will lead to more international export of gas which will simply push up local gas price and not benefit Victorians.

The results from this enquiry will be clear to me, if you support CSG production in Victoria you are supporting the mining companies and ignoring the communities. If you support a ban on CSG you are supporting all Victorians rural and metropolitan, and our states green future.

Please ban CSG for good and listen to Victorians, not the mining companies.

Regards
Caroline

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