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Our family lives on a 13 Hectare farm located in an area for which a coal exploration licence has just been granted to Mantle Mining Pty Ltd. Whilst we are fully aware that this company does not have the resources to develop a gas field of its own there is a real danger that if coal or coal seam gas is found beneath our property, they could sell the licences and further development of mines and or gas wells may occur, significantly devaluing our property, endangering water systems both above and below ground and possibly polluting the air with coal dust or gas or it's by products.

We run cattle, export possibilities for our stock may also be put at risk if there are mining activities nearby. Our property is adjacent to tree plantations which may also be put at risk.

The experience and evidence from the USA proves that mining and coal seam gas are fraught with danger.

Fossil fuels are at the end of their usefulness. It is time that the Australian Government seriously embraced clean energy in all its forms. Instead we have enquiry after enquiry aimed at propping up mining companies mostly located overseas and taking their profits out of the country.

Do NOT give any weight to submissions from the mining companies or their representatives. Seek instead the opinions of genuinely independent scientists, engineers, environmentalists and geologists. We feel certain that the science will fall on the side of caution.

Yours sincerely  
Graeme and Julie Wilson  
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