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To: EPC
Subject: No way forward for unconventional gas mining in Victoria

To the Environment and Planning Committee,

I am Kate, currently a resident of Newport Victoria. Thankyou for the opportunity to make a submission. I do not support unconventional gas mining - not now, not ever, not here, not anywhere, not with any potential regulations around it.

I hope others would describe me as friendly, ethical, honest, welcoming, inspiring and a good networker. Motivated primarily by health concerns (the desire for clean air and water), we will shortly be moving to Timboon to try our hand at growing organic herbs for premium tea market.

In making the decision to give it a go at Timboon, we identified on-shore gas mining as a key threat to our intended enterprise and environment. Unconventional gas mining would immediately threaten our organic certification and enterprise and land values. If it were allowed near Timboon, we would abort our planned development of our farmlet and move elsewhere.

It is just wrong to frack. To use chemicals. To pollute the water. To destroy agricultural land which could produce food forever. To burn yet more fossil fuels. To make it harder to stay within 2 degrees warming.

The images of coal seam gas activities in Queensland offend me.

I will never support unconventional gas mining in Timboon, south-west Victoria nor anywhere else in Victoria. It should be ruled out permanently.

Yours faithfully,

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