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**To:** EPC  
**Subject:** No to unconventional gas extraction

My name is Lester Congram

I am a builder and permaculturalist, as a lover of the land and it's peoples,I am not in support of any unconventional gas mining.

I live in a community near Birregurra, where a survey was conducted, and a total of 98% don't want CSG MINING of any description.

I recommend that Victoria ban all unconventional gas drilling permanently, because if they don't, it will have detrimental effects on agriculture and tourism. Living in a rich dairy and grazing area, we don't need our artesian water contaminated, and the visual impact on the land deterring tourism and investment.

Our local govt has increased the moratorium on CSG exploration,for they are aware of the negative impact on the environment, hopefully the state and federal governments follow suit.

Unconventional gas is a hit and run assault on families, communities and agricultural land. Unconventional gas is the asbestos of our time.

Unconventional gas extraction has near universal local dissaproval, is strongly resisted, and proceeding is against communities self determination.

Thank you for reading my submission, and hope you listen to all submissions.

Thanking you, Lester Congram

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