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Firstly, I would like to make it clear that I do not support any form of conventional or unconventional gas mining.

I am a professional, female in my 20s and was born and raised in Malaysia. I moved to Australia for university and work, and am now a resident of Australia. Two years ago, I returned to Malaysia for a work stint and found the condition of Malaysia alarming. And yes, I am speaking from an environmental perspective. The reasons are quite obvious, where one of them is due to Malaysia being the second largest LNG exporter in the world. Malaysia has been blessed with an abundance of conventional gas resources but it's ashamed that this has resulted in a range of issues affecting the country's environment, mainly due to the lack of comprehensive and effective regulatory systems. Why did the Malaysian government have very little care for this matter? Because all that mattered to them were profits, and ethics and governance were conveniently compromised. It is arguable that Malaysia is a developing nation and may not be comparable to Australia, but the point I'm trying to make here is that if we take one wrong step we may suffer for a long time.

For the better of Victoria, other Australian states and the world, I strongly believe that any form of gas, conventional or unconventional is not a viable form of energy source, simply because it harms the Earth. It harms the natural way our Earth is meant to operate and it is clearly another way of exploiting the Earth's resources just because "we can". And as we all know, nothing good will come out of the intention to harm.

I would love to elaborate on health, environmental, agricultural and community impacts of unconventional gas, but I'm sure you could google those and see what the general public thinks. Plus I think a lot of the other submissions had covered what I wanted to cover.

Perhaps it's really time to think about the Earth and not our own pockets for once. The gas supply to China, Japan and South Korea can wait. Lets focus on building our Australian communities first.

Regards,
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