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**From:** Michael Howes [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 9 July 2015 11:55 AM  
**To:** EPC  
**Subject:** No fracking for Victoria

Dear Enquiry Secretary,

I wish to express my opposition to gas fracking in Victoria and call for a permanent ban on all unconventional gas extraction. This will protect existing jobs, especially in agriculture and tourism, and prevent serious risks to farming land and our water resources.

Victoria's and Australia's future lies with renewable energy and energy conservation and efficiency. Gas extraction will potentially lead to emissions of CO2 and other gases, as well as damage to land and water. If Victoria is to become a leader on preventing climate change, the government cannot allow a new gas industry to be established.

Thank you,

Michael Howes

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