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It would be highly irresponsible to put at risk land and water that is important to agriculture, tourism and the environment for the purposes of natural gas extraction and ultimately, short-term profit.

Agriculture and tourism are sustainable industries and will profit our state for many years to come, and the environmental values of our state are something we must safeguard for the sake of our unique biodiversity, and for the enjoyment of future generations.

To sacrifice these things for an industry that is environmentally damaging, finite and focused on short term gain would be a great shame and very short sighted indeed. When we consider the future of unconventional gas extraction in Victoria, we need to ask ourselves 'what kind of future, and what kind of state do we want to live in?'

Do we want an economy that is sustainable and robust? Do we want an environment that is healthy and attractive? Are we wise enough to see past the dollars promised by gas extraction, and to the things that will ensure a bright future for all of us? And will our grandchildren thank us for the decisions that we make today?

It is within our ability to move away from fossil fuels and to build a thriving state based instead on renewable energy. All we need is the will to do it.

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