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I am middle aged. I grew up in the industrial wasteland that was the western suburbs of Sydney in the 1960s and 70s.

I moved to Gippsland as part of my retirement plan. I still work on a casual basis in the dairy industry and am paying off 16 acres of dairy paddocks that are used for cattle agistment and hay production.

I am vehemently opposed to any exploration for, drilling for or transporting of CSG, Tight Gas and any similar products.

The basis of my opposition is manifold and strongly justified through study of the consequences of Unconventional Gas activities in the Darling Downs (QLD), NSW and Seaspray in Victoria.

I believe that development of CSG will deprive residents of the quiet amenity of their properties, impair their lifestyle, reduce property values and adversely impact the environment.

Gippsland is one of the few highly productive farming regions of this arid continent and any undertaking that risks the continuation and the quality of dairy farming should not be allowed.

The dairy industry is vital to this region and needs to be protected.

CSG is too risky. It's economic benefits are purely short term and not justified by an honest cost benefit analysis.

I urge the Committee to recognise that the quality of the land in Gippsland totally negates and outweighs the limited (and debatable) prospectivity of gases that lie under the ground and need to be extracted through methods that will have long term adverse impacts on the greater community in general and farming in

particular.

For the sake of our children and grand children we need to call a halt to the development of CSG and similar products.

I do not want to spend my declining years in an environment that is environmentally compromised by greed and ineptitude.

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