

To the Environment and Planning Committee,

While I can appreciate that Coal Seam Gas may, from a superficial point of view, appear to be an alternative to the more polluting Coal supplied energy sources, it ignores medium and long term implications. For example (and not limited to),

- It detracts from putting more effort and resources in transitioning to 100% renewables such as wind and solar which are long term solutions.
- With the Victorian population (and Global population) increasing all the time, we have to preserve our food production capacity, and it must not be put at risk, which unconventional gas installations would do in terms of pollution and access to arable land.
- I am also particularly concerned about the significant risk that CSG will have on clean water supplies, and especially, the real potential to pollute ground water reservoirs (which may result in long term problems that would be very difficult to reverse).

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