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Subject: Submission to the Environment & Planning Committee Inquiry into Unconventional Gas in Victoria

To the Environment and Planning Committee,

Unconventional gas is not a renewable source of energy - it is polluting, contributes to climate change, and is not required as a fuel to transition between fossil fuels and renewables.

Other places such as New York City and Ohio have already instituted permanent bans on coal seam gas, and Victoria should follow suit, as this is what the community wants.

Fracking for coal seam gas threatens our environment, the health and future productivity of our agricultural industries, our water supply and public health. We should NOT accept these. This is NOT acceptable, there ARE OTHER OPTIONS which we have to take eventually. Let's take them NOW.

We should be putting our money and energy and our intelligence into transitioning to renewable energies like wind and solar power. These have been around for a long time, why are we not investing into making them work? Jobs will be created and people could even feel good about working in this industry. There's very little damage to the environs with these methods, completely renewable. Victorians want to plan and contribute to a future which we can inhabit, which we have not decimated and poisoned for short term goals.

Please don't sell us short on this very important state, national and global matter.

Sincerely,
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