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Living in a State that has not yet opened the bottle and let the Unconventional Gas Production genie out, I wish to implore both the major parties to not begin Gas production in Victoria.

My reasons for this are:

- We don't need any more gas production in this State from fracking or any other unconventional means,
- We live in a country where water resources are scarce and water is a basic human need. To endanger the security of any of our water resources in this country is indeed irresponsible behaviour, and fracking has been shown to contribute to some of the worst pollution of important water sources, worldwide. And our recent Hazelwood mine fire and the Black Saturday bushfires are good examples of what happens when safety procedures fail, as they do when **private companies are in charge and don't invest in ongoing maintenance for safety.**
- Gas production from these methods **will not reduce the cost** of this utility for anyone! The development of the LNG industry in Victoria has only increased prices for our people by exposure to International markets and this will only get worse!
- Unconventional Gas production will cause loss of jobs in farming, farm production and tourism. And Victoria will only fall further behind the world in leading technologies in renewable energy development. We are the laughing stock of the world for our lack of ability to invest in these non polluting sciences! And we need to lift our energies towards zero emissions worldwide.

These are just a few of the reasons for NOT going ahead with these dangerous methods of gas extraction. Please listen to the people before it is too late!

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