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Hello Professor O'Kane,

I would like to make a submission to your independent review of the facts of CSG. I would also like to know how a public servant in the employ of the NSW state government is able to do an independent review, I though you actually needed to be independent to do an independent review. anyways, ok my submission to the review is as follows;

1, the USA experience has proven that CSG is bad for the environment, water be it aquifers, rivers, streams or water table, CSG is bad for farms and farmers in lost productive lands and all forms of farming be it broad acre crop farming or livestock.

2, the USA experience has shown that the use of Fracking in CSG has created a disaster for farmers, locals and towns people in that their water and air quality has suffered significantly from toxic wastes and water.

3, So far the Australian experiences have been similar to the USA with companies being deceitful to the farmers and the public of the benefits and actual impacts of CSG and fracking on the farmers, on the land with air and water quality being destroyed. The destruction of our farmland, air and water quality is not an acceptable by product of CSG and fracking as the resultant toxic residuals are more or less permanent.

4, the CSG companies have undertaken a program of mistruths and lies both with the public and government departments that are there to make sure that any damage to the land, air, water are being lied to and hamstrung by these profit centred companies that care less about the environment than making money.

5, The use of huge amounts of sand and clean water that are turned into toxic chemical laden environmental disasters is staggering in the amounts used, with no way to clean up their mess that is left for us the public to suffer with.

6, The use of vast quantities of water and sand materials is an abhorrent waste of natural resources, that these companies do not have to clean or remove from the ground in any way.

7, The use of toxic man made dams to some how store toxic water and chemically toxic after product of CSG and fracking is not to be allowed as it does poison rivers and water ways as has been proven with the amount of toxic materials and waters released into rivers and waterways from these dams alone.

8, no csg or gas appliance should ever be placed near residential areas, the impact of the toxic outgasing of these appliances are well documented and proven to be a high risk to humans and the environment.

9, I particularly have been disgusted by the csg television advertisements that depict a false and misleading picture of the truth to the entire CSG industry, they do not do their jobs well, or with any form of social conscience, they lie about the impacts on the environment, water quality, air quality and all life impacts, it is not acceptable to allow any form of CSG mining in Australia.

10, Australia has had for many years a clean and green image, helped by good farming practices and a high organic industry awareness, yet with CSG and Fracking this image will be destroyed forever.

11, with every CSG well the possible existence of any organic farming is limited and destroyed, so the question is do we want organic farming, a sustainable high return

practice or a limiting, environmentally destructive practice. I chose Organics. Not CSG.

12, your terms of reference read more like a pro csg paper, item 1 a study of compliance, they do not comply, and to what do they comply, rules that are inadequate or non-existent, and most of regulatory authorities are still trying to catch up with csg with rules and guidelines as your independent review suggests.

13, item 2 a possibly good reference, but by whose standards. the actual use of csg is just the pure destruction of the environment and toxicification of water and air quality yet no government department that is supposed to look out for the public's health with these matters has been able to actually stop any toxic destruction of any of these matters.

14, item 3 identify best practice for residential csg, what who are you working for, the csg industry by this little gem. no there is no best practice csg for residential areas. this is Australia not an industrial plant across Australia.

15, item 4 well that is easy with the industry standards set at a bastard level with the complete destruction of air and water quality and farmland and residential lands fair game for csg destruction and complete annihilation of the environment for a few dollars at our expense.

16, item 5 inspect and monitor csg drilling, water extraction hydraulic fracking and aquifer protection techniques, wow that would be of interest, as they have no aquifer protection techniques at all. if the technique is to make the water potable then that's easily done as they all do.

17, item 6, I do hope as we all live in hope, that you do your job with pride and not with csg company protection in mind and give a true and accurate report on what these companies are actually doing to the environment et al and finally stop this lunacy, as there is no other word for csg mining, it is not needed or wanted by most of the population of Australia and the experiences from the USA and other countries is a disaster to say the least. So please stop for a minute and do the right thing and call for the halt of all csg mining in Australia and a moratorium for all csg projects forever.

regards

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