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Subject: Online Submission from Dr Paul Rustomji of Self (object)

To whom it may concern:

I wish to lodge an objection to this proposal on the basis that there is, in my opinion, considerable potential for negative impacts upon water quality from coal seam gas exploration in the Illawarra. This is of particular concern given the location of the exploration area being in a designated Special Area/water supply catchment area.

There is a growing body of evidence that coal seam gas extraction has significant negative water quality implications that cannot be entirely avoided even through compliance with "best management practices". This is partially due to the spatially distributed extraction methodology (ie. lots of bores spread across the landscape). There also exists the potential for detrimental impacts upon groundwater aquifers.

Apex Energy has indicated they wish to substantially expand their Coal Seam Gas extraction in southern NSW which I oppose on environmental grounds.

I would like to see this specific proposal rejected. I would further like to see all future coal seam gas exploration and extraction rejected before the potential negative impacts from coal seam gas extraction expand further beyond the limited footprint they already have.

Regards

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