

Objection to Narrabri Gas Project

FACT 1 : EARTH IS LOSING ITS PLANT LIFE AT RAPID PACE

Around the world the loss of biodiversity, the loss of forested areas, the destruction of woodlands is so rapid and so extensive that an underground SEEDBANK has been initiated developed and in active use in the northern hemisphere – NORWAY as a last resort to protect PLANT SEEDS, the very basis of plant LIFE. This is an extraordinary step.

This is not alarmist, it is a FACT, and established by an ecologist who saw the global trend.

FACT 2: ANIMAL EXTINCTION AND ANIMAL SPECIES AT THREAT OF EXTINCTION IS GROWING

The list of animal species under threat of extinction, and rapidly increasing number of species already extinct, due to multiple causative factors, and LOSS OF HABITAT is widely documented and available for public verification.

This is not alarmist, IT IS FACT.

FACT 3: AUSTRALIA IS WIDELY RECOGNISED AS HAVING ONE OF THE BIGGEST SUPPLIES OF NATURAL GAS IN THE WORLD.

Australia's natural resources estimated Australia has hundreds of years of gas supplies.

FACT 4: THERE IS NO SHORTAGE OF NATURAL GAS IN AUSTRALIA

Recently, the CEO of major natural gas producer has declared they are able to provide natural gas to the Australian Gas Market, likely via tanker, or long term the same as is provided to overseas buyers.

FACT 5: ENERGY POLICY IN AUSTRALIA IS SEVERELY WANTING

Multiple public commentators have noted, that energy policy in Australia is not working, and it has been noted that this has been the situation for a decade.

FACT 6: POLLUTANTS THAT GET INTO THE WATER CYCLE GET INTO THE FOOD CHAIN, THEN INTO PEOPLE.

It is well documented that contaminants, pollutants and carcinogens that are put into the water cycle, underground water, will get into the soil, then into food, and then into people. This has been PROVEN with radioactive substances on Bikini Atol got into the soil, then into food, then into people. Well documented. Sound Health starts with healthy food, and poisoned food becomes poisoned people.

FACT 7: IT IS HIGHLY CONTENTIOUS AS TO THE TAXES PAID BY GAS PRODUCERS FOR THE NATURAL RESOURCES AUSTRALIA IS FORTUNATE TO HAVE.

Recent newspaper reports have outlined how very little tax is paid by some large gas producers, and to date, at least one large producer having been issued a substantial tax bill for unpaid taxes.

SUMMARY

In short, Australia has vast and accessible supplies of natural gas. Australia's natural gas supplies are being pumped up and shipped overseas at very attractive rates.

There is vast supply of natural gas for the domestic needs. It is widely acknowledge that domestic needs have been grossly neglected in the process of formulating Australia's energy policy.

Into this neglect of domestic gas supplies, gas producers want to lay wasted to rapidly diminishing forested areas and woodlands, further threatening globally diminished vegetated areas, and further threatening animal life, already under severe threat.

In doing so they would pump highly toxic chemicals into the water cycle, which then gets into the food chain. This therefore threatens the very health of us, humans, in a way that nobody could control after the fact.

The tax system being what it is means that this arrangement might be undertaken with Australia receiving very little taxable income for its natural resources.

The solution for domestic gas needs is to access the vast natural gas supplies, AND, to protect highly valuable natural areas from unnecessary destruction.