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Dear Commissioners

This is a submission to **object** to the Pilliga Coal Seam Gas Project.

My name is Keith and I was born and raised in Narrabri, on a property bordering the Pilliga Forest.

I am very concerned about the Santos plan to develop an industrial gas field within the forest.

My primary concern is the potential to damage the water supply provided by the Great Artesian Basin. Underground aquifers support not only agriculture across inland Australia, but local communities and the native flora and fauna.

I have witnessed the result of a toxic spill in the forest. The toxic waste has damaged the spill area so much that native plants are failing to thrive years later.

Santos is unable to guarantee no damage to the aquifers and water supply.

Thank you for taking the time to read and consider my concerns.

Yours sincerely

Keith Rooney