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Subject: Narrabri Gas Project submission - please do not recommend approval
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Dear Commissioners,

I implore you **not** to recommend approval of the Narrabri Gas Project and apply the Precautionary Principle in your determination to avoid risk of catastrophic irreversible environmental consequences.

My concerns are as follows:

1. The risk of contamination and / or reducing groundwater levels, resulting in the water of the Great Artesian Basin flowing down out of reach of water bores due to drilling. I am concerned about the threat to the existence of agriculture in western New South Wales.
2. Irreversible contamination of soils affecting flora, fauna and food production such as the 10,000-litre spill of untreated coal seam gas water that occurred in 2011 and detection of elevated levels of salinity and heavy metals in groundwater in 2013.
3. Threatened extinction of at least 48 fauna species in the Pilliga if the forest is disrupted by gas infrastructure and critical habitat is destroyed. This is a fragile semi-arid region and many of these species are unique to this region.
4. Significantly enhanced fire threat as a result of CS gas infrastructure.
5. Contribution to greenhouse gas emissions from fossil fuel extraction.

In closing, please do not recommend the approval of the Narrabri Gas Project.

Not approving this project will help preserve the Pilliga for the future of your children, my children and our future generations in preference to the short term interests of industry and government revenues.

Yours Sincerely,

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