

I support stronger laws which require the Environment Minister to take into account the water impacts of coal seam gas and large coal mining when assessing those projects for approval.

I encourage the government to bring these new laws to the Senate, so they can be passed before the election; I want a future for my children that includes the availability of clean groundwater, the impact of pollutants to health are far reaching and inter generational.

Coal seam gas and large coal mining in a country like Australia where much of the land is desert or drought affected is unacceptable.

It is important in making these laws that these new powers remain in federal hands, because of the poor environmental track record of state governments.

Kind regards
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