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**Senator Waters asked:**

In response to my February QoN #61 re CSG bore well integrity I was advised the Department is undertaking a number of studies of CSG bore well integrity yourselves. Can you please provide details including who is doing the work, what the work concerns, and when will it be made public?

**Answer:**

On advice from the interim Independent Expert Scientific Committee on Coal Seam Gas and Large Coal Mining Development, the Australian Government's Department of the Environment commissioned a background review examining the publicly available literature on bore integrity. The report has been peer reviewed and has been published on the Independent Expert Scientific Committee on Coal Seam Gas and Large Coal Mining Development's website ([iesc.environment.gov.au/publications.html](http://iesc.environment.gov.au/publications.html)).