Monday 6 March 2017 Email to the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory

To: <u>fracking.inquiry@nt.gov.au</u>

As requested by Justice Pepper, please find below references in relation to Richard Cottee's presentation at the Fracking Inquiry earlier today on the perception that gas was in competition with renewables whereas nearly 50% of gas consumed in NSW was in manufacturing from 300 companies employing 300k employees in 2012.

http://www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/energy-consumers/energy-sources/gas

NSW can only provide five per cent of its annual gas consumption of 160 petajoules. The other 95 per cent is imported from Victoria, South Australia and Queensland.

On average about 22% of NSW's annual gas intake is used by households and commercial.

Manufacturing commands 49.8% with 26.9% being used by gas-fired power generators.

http://www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/ data/assets/pdf file/0005/534830/NSW-Gas-Plan.pdf

The NSW Gas plan also mentions the figures in a more aggregated manner (75% used by) large industries, this includes gas-power generators but it also talks about the 500 heavy users, the 33,000 small businesses and the 1million + households.

http://www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/ data/assets/pdf file/0006/534831/NSW-Gas-Plan-Common-Questions-and-Answers.pdf

The FAQ's accompanying the release of the Gas Plan - talk about the 300,000 estimated employees the large industrial users of gas (inlcuding gas-fired power stations) that these businesses emply.

Kind regards

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