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I have placed some comments on the survey feedback.

In addition to those comments,, my overall view is that fracking should be permitted subject to the following:

- 1) The recommendations of the Hunter Report need to be fully implemented (or good reason given as to why they should not).
- 2) The Petroleum Act should be made subject to the Water Act.
- 3) That the appropriate Government Department employ suitably qualified staff to regulate oil and gas exploration and production (or that the Department have the financial resources to employ external consultants to carry out this work).
- 4) That the Department also have sufficient resources to enable staff (and/or consultants) to carry out regular on-site monitoring and inspection of oil and gas activities.
- 5) That the Department be required to report periodically to Parliament on oil and gas industry activity.

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