NO GAS TERMIN IN CORIO BAY!



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Dear fellow residents,

We are community groups and businesses representing thousands of people across the Geelong and Bellarine regions.

We care deeply about the future of Geelong and are extremely concerned about Viva Energy's proposal to build an enormous, polluting, floating gas terminal in Corio Bay.

The Victorian government has already rejected plans for a similar gas terminal in Westernport Bay due to unacceptable risks. We don't want one in Corio Bay either.

We strongly oppose the gas terminal due to the following reasons:



Gas is highly flammable and many locals are **concerned about safety**. Best practice is to locate gas terminals and LNG tankers at least 3.5kms away from residents, as happens in other parts of Australia. Over 30,000 Geelong residents live within 3.5kms of the LNG tankers and terminal.



Gas is a dangerous and polluting fuel that contributes to the climate crisis. LNG when burnt in our homes and businesses releases carbon dioxide. It also releases methane when extracted, which is a potent greenhouse gas. These emissions contribute to the climate crisis we are all currently facing - seen in the increasing floods, severe heat, drought, bushfires and sea-level rise.



Floating gas terminals are a threat to marine life and fishing. The Victorian government has already rejected a gas terminal in Westernport Bay because of "unacceptable risks" to the marine environment. Fishers may face extensive exclusion zones along the shipping channel and gas terminal to ensure the security of the LNG tankers and the floating gas terminal.



We are at an energy crossroads. We have a choice to make, continue to invest in polluting fossil fuel infrastructure or transition our households and businesses to electric appliances that are cheaper, cleaner and safer to run.



Geelong should be a hub for renewables, not gas. Let's position our city for the future of work. We've got the infrastructure, skilled workforce and proud manufacturing heritage to grow a clean energy industry.

Take Action

If you share these concerns, **now is the time to speak up**. Viva's Environment Effects Statement (EES) is currently being exhibited to the public and there is only limited time to submit feedback. **Geelong residents need to make submissions** before the 11th of April.



■ Sign the petition to Planning Minister Wynne calling on the Victorian Government to reject this proposal. www.geelongrenewablesnotgas.org/petition



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■ Join our rally to show your concern about this proposal on Saturday April 2, 11am, starting in Little Malop St Mall, Geelong. www.geelongrenewablesnotgas.org/rally

Signed,

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