STOP SEISMIC TESTING & OFFSHORE DRILLING FOR GAS AND OIL OFF NEWCASTLE, THE CENTRAL COAST and NORTHERN SYDNEY

To The Honourable Prime Minister & The House of Representatives

We strongly oppose the seismic testing and drilling for oil and gas off Newcastle and the Central Coast. Seismic testing is known to cause auditory and navigational disturbances in whales and dolphins, destroys plankton, and is linked to injury and death of marine life. This negative impact on our coastal ecosystem would also be detrimental to our thriving tourism and fisheries industries. Furthermore, drilling of wells and an oil or gas field off the coast of Newcastle, the Central Coast and the Northern Beaches of Sydney (PEP11) places an unacceptable risk to the environment. The potential of catastrophic harm to our coast and all marine life is unacceptable and causes deep distress to residents. We ask for a ban on seismic testing, and cessation of offshore gas/oil exploration & activity in NSW, to protect our marine life, our environment and the health of residents.

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