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Quentin Dempster:

"With the O'Farrell Governments recently signed MoU with Santos to deliver investor confidence in the Narrabri CSG project there is now great scepticism that the coming Planning Assessment Commission process will be turned into a rubber stamp.

Phillip Pells:

"When the impacts do occur they're irreversible, so we have to be very certain and very careful at the start that we don't generate a system that causes unexpected and significant impacts which we can do nothing about, its too late then.

Quentin Dempster:

"Do you acknowledge there's a crisis of public confidence in the coal seam gas industry in this State?

Professor O'Kane:

"Absolutely, yes there is.

Quentin Dempster:

"The Chief Scientist and Engineer has been reviewing the CSG industry. Professor O'Kane agrees that the creditability of both the industry and of the O'Farrell Governments compliance regime now depends on the thoroughness of the science of risk assessment, data collection and operational practice. Its your view that ah the risks are manageable.

Professor O'Kane:

"I believe that they can be completely manageable and that's we're working through that as a, as a nation, we're beginning to understand as with most engineering things we develop layers of risk and regulation and responsiveness, but you still have accidents.