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Senator WATERS: Can you confirm for me my understanding that given that stage 1 is now complete and public and stage 2 has been submitted to the department, that, so far, the areas of CSG production that have not been studied by CSIRO in relation to fugitives are water gathering and treatment infrastructure and decommissioned wells? Is that correct, and are there any other areas that also still have not been studied?

Dr Wonhas: I will take that on notice, and I will give you an overview of what has not been covered yet.

ANSWER

The two phase study funded by the Department of Environment and Energy on measurements of fugitive emissions from CSG activities will not take into account aspects of production such as gas and water gathering networks, water treatment facilities, gas processing and compression facilities, and all other downstream operations including distribution, or from decommissioned wells.