

Pre-written Email Text to Send to Your Member of Parliament

Below is email text you can use to send to your local Member of Parliament (MP) regarding your concerns about the Viva Energy Gas Import Terminal proposal.

Copy and paste the text into your email, edit it to make it personal including adding your name, and then send it to your local MP.

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Suggested Email Text:

Dear ***ENTER MPs NAME***,

I am emailing you today to express my disappointment and concern about the Planning Minister's decision to approve the Viva Energy Gas Terminal in Corio Bay.

This project is a climate disaster. The gas Viva Energy plans to import would be responsible for over eight million tonnes of climate pollution per year. This directly contradicts the Victorian Government's stated commitment to help households transition off gas and switch to electric appliances.

Critical safety questions remain unresolved. Maritime safety experts, Ports Victoria, and even rival gas companies have raised concerns about whether the shipping channel in Corio Bay is too narrow and shallow for most LNG tankers. Over 30,000 homes sit within potential incident zones, but these fundamental safety risks remain unresolved.

This decision prioritises corporate interests over community wellbeing. At a time when Victoria should be investing in renewable energy and supporting households to electrify, this terminal takes us backwards.

The Geelong community deserves better than having major decisions that affect our safety, environment, and future announced at corporate galas while our genuine concerns are brushed aside.

I urge you to:

1. Pass on the community's disappointment to the Premier, the Planning Minister and the Ports Minister.
2. Advocate for the proper assessment of dredging and safety issues with public consultation on the Engage Victoria website.
3. Support investment in renewable energy solutions instead of locking us into fossil fuel infrastructure.

Thank you for your time. I look forward to your response and how you will present our community's concerns within the state government.

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