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With reference to your application to survey for Shale Gas in the Umzimvubu Catchment area we hereby register our strong disapproval for the following reasons:

We are a noted region of seismic activity (Matatiele Cluster) and have recently experienced a 4.7 magnitude earthquake. It is potentially dangerous to interfere with the geology of the area.

Further to that this is a major water catchment area.

As a consequence of these two factors we feel that you should pursue your interests elsewhere and outside the country.

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