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Subject: Armidale Battery Energy Storage System Objection Submission - SSD-23515853
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I have made no political donations & request that my name be withheld please.

Thank you.

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I Object to the Armidale Battery Energy Storage System & Associated Infrastructure - SSD-23515853 - as it is a total waste of public money - for unethical, toxic rubbish - that is part of a very contaminating, unhealthy & energy depriving Solar/Wind Nightmare that is extremely damaging to Australia.

It is essential that Australia prioritises reliable, affordable, Australian power instead of this incapable, dangerous FIRE RISK BESS that only lasts 7-10 years!

****THE DISTURBING REALITY OF COBALT MINING FOR RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES.**

"CLEAN COBALT IS A FICTION – THERE IS NO CLEAN COBALT - IT'S ALL MARKETING!"

<https://www.news.com.au/finance/business/mining/harvard-professor-explains-heartwrenching-source-of-electric-vehicle-iphone-batteries/news-story/db881f47c76db89581409c092a740c4c>

Joe Rogan exposes sad truth about cobalt used in electric vehicle, iPhone batteries | [news.com.au](https://www.news.com.au) — Australia's leading news site.

Cobalt is in all iPhones, tablets & crucially EV's - it maximises charge & stability.

Before anyone knew what was happening the Chinese Government & Chinese companies took control of almost all of the big mines in the Congo, with the local population displaced & the Congolese people under duress - digging in subhuman, gut wrenching conditions - using all raw human force - clanking the cobalt out of the ground!

Throughout the whole history of slavery, never has there been more suffering that generated more profit than was linked to more lives of people around the world than what is happening today in the Congo - mining cobalt in appalling, heart wrenching & dangerous conditions.'