

Matthew Sprott - Submission Details for Company (support)

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Subject: Submission Details for


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Muswellbrook, NSW
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Content:

Hi,

I am writing a submission in support of the submission as I feel it is the right thing to allow Bengalla Mining Company to continue its legacy of environmentally conscious and community minded production of coal products.

I have worked in the coal industry and liaised with the industry for more than 6 years. In that time, I have been working for Bengalla Mining Company for almost 2 and a half years as a CHPP Production Planner. In my position, all coal products pass through me on the way to the train load out and onto external stockpiles. At every stage of the process from mine to the customer, I have been impressed with BMC's commitment to not only supporting the environment and community, but constantly trying to achieve the most from the resource in order to maximise returns for both the Joint Venture partners and also through the Commonwealth and local community through relevant taxes, community events and royalties. The environment and community is discussed daily in meetings and at every stage of decision making and strongly influences everyday business decisions, with production sometimes taking a back seat in order to deliver the best conditions and outcomes for the local residents.

I relocated to Muswellbrook in order to work here, and I feel my story is an example of the way the mine workers have come here and contributed to the community. I purchased property here, I purchase local goods, my kids are in local daycare/preschool and support local people and businesses in my everyday shopping choices supporting the community. I have had a son at the local hospital and got to know local residents through the PCYC and Rotary clubs. This shows the trans-formative powers and local community support provided by workers of mines such as BMC and that if BMC were to shut down, these contributions would be lost. On the other hand, if expansion was to occur, these contributions would increase through more full time employees further benefiting the local community.

In terms of expansion work, I have already seen the way that BMC has performed in recent expansion work in 2011 and how the environment and community was a big part of that process in the management of water and dust, vibration and visibility of the mines activities.

I am confident that BMC would deliver the same standard of upgrade in the future and would also minimise interruption to the local environment and community and that is why I am writing you today in support of it.

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Submission: Online Submission from

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Submission for Job: #5170 Bengalla Continuation Project

https://majorprojects.affinitylive.com/?action=view_job&id=5170

Site: #2653 Bengalla Coal Mine; Bengalla Road, Muswellbrook

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