

**Objection to SSD Metropolitan Modification 4 Longwall 317 and 318
Modification by J & C Riggall – 26 August 2025**

We moved from the far south coast to Wollongong LGA 38 years ago in 1987 to enable our four children to attend University and improve our family's opportunities and lifestyle. We became most concerned after we discovered this application when reading an Agenda item in Wollongong Council's meeting yesterday 25 August 2025, item 19 Notice of Motion by Councillor Stuart (copy attached). It is a 7-page well-researched report, and we fully support its reasoning.

The main points for our objection includes re detrimental climate impacts re GHG, impacts on Sydney and Illawarra drinking water quantity & quality, destruction of Aboriginal sites and landscape, destruction of fragile ecosystems, impacts on biodiversity and species, Inconsistent with Council's Goals, inconsistent with genuine sustainability or real action on climate change, contravenes Council's LEP C2 Environmental Conservation Zoning objectives, contravenes Labor election promises and policy statements.

Given NSW Government's stated position related to the involvement in resources projects, we request that NSW Planning Minister refers determination of this Modification project to the Independent Planning Commission (IPC) for a public meeting and determination to enhance transparency and accountability in decision-making. This would also be consistent with stated NSW government policy supporting independent assessment of all resources projects.

Please contact us if any clarification and/or further information is required

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Attachment: WCC meeting 25 August 2025 item 19 Notice of Motion