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The Department of Planning & Environment

Attn: Director Resource Assessment

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Dear Sir

Re Submission HVO South Project Approval modifications

History – when I purchased my property Wambo mine existed on the other side of the Hunter River and was in the process of winding up. Since then Coal & Allied have taken over the site and extended the mine in various directions.

My home is built on piers and I have some timber framed windows which regularly shake when the mines conduct explosions.

Over the last 30 years I have recorded each time I am home and hear and feel the house shake.

22-7-1998 11.15am & 12.05pm

16-8-1998 1.30pm

21-10-1999 1.40pm

17-6-1999 7.14am

24-6-1999 7.34am

18-7-2000 11.24am

20-9-2000 9.13am

9-12-2000	7.30am
6-7-2001	12.50pm
1-9-2001	7.51am
5-10-2001	11.55am
9-7-2002	7.35am
9-8-2002	9.11am & 2.50pm
30-7-2003	9.03am
19-9-2003	8.32am
5-3-2005	7.10am
30-7-2005	7.45am
10-11-2005	7.05am
12-5-2005	7.05am
20-5-2008	12.31am
20-5-2008	2pm
20-9-2008	7am Massive
23-6-2009	2.55pm
20-6-2010	5.45am
28-5-2011	9.25am
27-10-2011	3.45pm
27-10-2011	4.55pm
16-11-2011	9.38am
25-1-2012	10.17am
11-5-2012	4.15pm

1-8-2012	9.15am & 1.35pm
3-8-2012	4.10pm
6-8-2012	12.05am Extensive
23-8-2012	10.30am
5-9-2012	9.10am
7-9-2012	9.07am
12-9-2012	1.52pm
18-9-2012	11.02am
21-9-2012	9am
8-10-2012	2.22pm
18-10-2012	3.12pm
19-10-2012	11.35am
8-1-2013	7.10am
19-7-2013	3.20pm & 3.24pm
12-3-2014	11.35am
8-9-2015	9.09am
12-11-2015	11.36am
13-11-2015	11am
26-5-2016	House shook 4 times 1.38pm
3-6-2016	1.05pm and 1.25pm
24-6-2016	9.27am
7-7-2016	12.35pm
29-7-2016	1.42pm

All the tiles in my home have come loose from the walls and the gyprock has cracks in a number of places due to my house shaking every time an explosion takes place. If the mine is allowed to expand my home will only suffer more damage.

In 2009 Coal & Allied offered a mitigation measure in the form of a filter on my tank water supply system.

They are currently again offering a form of mitigation in the form of double pane windows that face the mine and air conditioning due to the fact that the predicted noise from the mine will be above an acceptable standard.

It worries me that I will not be able to sell my property to an outside party due to all the issues that the mine are creating in my location. I have made Coal & Allied aware that I am prepared and keen to sell yet they have stated they are not interested at this stage. So in other words they are only to keen to inconvenience me until they want to establish another new mine closer to my property and are compelled to purchase my property.

Vegetable gardening was a keen interest for me which I have had to give up given the pollution the mine creates in my environment.

I would appreciate it if receipt of my objection to the proposal is acknowledged by mail or email chriss.maskey@gmail.com.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Chriss Maskey', with a stylized, cursive script.

Chriss Maskey 28th February 2017