Dendrobium Mine: Plan for the Future - Coal for Steelmaking Project (SSD-8194)

Attention: Director – Coal and Quarry Assessments
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supports the proposed Dendrobium Mine: Coal for Steelmaking project (SSD8194).

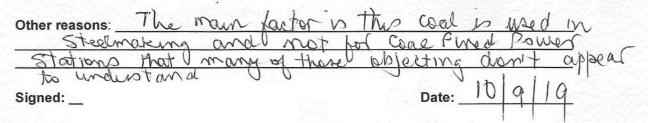**Reasons for my support are as follows:**

Socio-Economic Benefits

- ☑ Continued mining would sustain the employment of Dendrobium's workforce, create a further 100 jobs for the life of the Project and an additional 200 jobs in construction.
- ☑ The Project will generate around $714 million in royalties, taxes and rates, contributing to local and state infrastructure and services.
- ☑ The Project will result in a total net benefit to the NSW economy of over $2.8 billion (real, undiscounted terms), including over $1.1 billion (real, undiscounted terms) to the Greater Wollongong Region.
- ☑ The Project would allow South32 to continue to support local suppliers and contractors, providing additional security and longevity of employment in the region.

Environmental Measures and Outcomes

- ☑ The Project commits to not longwall mine under water supply reservoirs including dams, or under named watercourses and key stream features.
- ☑ The Project commits to a minimum of one-kilometre setbacks from the Avon and Cordeaux dam walls.
- ☑ The Project commits to pursue opportunities for industrial users to reuse our excess mine water.
- ☐ South32 supports biodiversity research in the water catchment, including swamps and endangered species such as the Giant Dragonfly and the Littlejohn's Tree Frog.

Steelmaking in the Illawarra

- ☐ The Project would provide an ongoing and essential local supply of metallurgical coal to BlueScope Steelworks. South32 currently supplies around 60% of BlueScope Steelworks' metallurgical coal requirements.

Other reasons: The main factor is this coal is used in Steelmaking and not for Coal Fired Power Stations that many of those objecting don't appear to understand

Signed: _____   **Date:** 10/9/19

- ☑ I have not made a reportable political donation in the previous two years
- ☑ I do not want my personal details made publicly available