

I wish to lodge my **OBJECTION TO AGL'S PROPOSED EXTENSION OF TIME** for the commencement of work on the proposed gas fired power plant project at Dalton (DPP), NSW. AGL have not provided sufficient cause for extension.

The community distrusts them. This has been acknowledged by the Department of Planning who noted AGL's appalling community consultation.

AGL have not supplied adequate time for an appropriate response.

AGL will rely on an Environmental Assessment that is 7 years old and does not include recent discoveries including the population of endangered Southern Pygmy Perch in Oolong Creek less than a few kilometres from the proposed construction. The environmental destruction to the landscape and the quality of air has been ill considered.

THIS IS A NEW PROPOSAL AND NEEDS A NEW ASSESSMENT. AGL received its original approval under legislation repealed in 2011 after a corruption scandal that brought down the then NSW government. By repealing this legislation, the NSW Government acknowledged corrupt and unfair practices, such as undisclosed political donations made during the assessment of the original Dalton proposal and for which AGL have been convicted and fined. Hence it may be argued that the original assessment and approval were made under a defective head of authority which does not provide a legitimate basis for the project.

The rate of development of battery and alternative generating technologies is such that in two years' time a gas-fired generator may well be obsolete and, if built, a stranded asset.

AGL would appear to be pursuing a flawed and obsolescent if not obsolete business model. The whole-of-life cost of this project to the government and citizens of NSW may be an impediment to growth in this state. This proposed development is at odds with the electricity market now and in the future.

Besides the waste involved in building a facility like this, residents of surrounding cities of Yass, Goulbourn and Canberra and local farmers will be threatened by its toxic emissions via the prevailing winds. It will produce emissions equivalent to a city of

500,000 people every day. Recent [March 2017] research has shown the detrimental effects of burning gas could be 120 times initial estimates with research from Purdue University. Carcinogens found in pollution from Gas are viewed as much worse than coal.

Finally the construction of this power plant will close down the business of Vince & Janet Heffernan at "Moorlands" Dalton who supply me and my family with high grade organic lamb. The facility will be upstream from "Moorlands" and will destroy the air, soil and water quality that this farm relies on to produce their biodynamic lambs. I object to this loss and this destruction of their business.

Thank you