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Director,

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Port Waratah Coal Services

Terminal 4 Application No 10 0215

Department of Planning & Infrastructure,

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Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Sir,

I am a concerned farmer & resident of the Upper Hunter - Singleton Shire Council area, my family has been landowners farming in the Singleton area for many generations.

I appreciate the opportunity to voice my concerns in this submission against the Port Waratah Coal Services Terminal No. 4 Application 10 0215.

The 4th terminal project would cause a massive increase to health impacts in the region, for this alone the negative contribution of the project far outweighs any merits.

Some of my concerns are as follows:

1. Some of the area for the 4th Terminal is currently a National Park, this park contains critical habitat for migratory shore birds. National park lands MUST NOT be included in the proposed development.
2. The completed project would facilitate the equivalent of at least 15 more large coal mines in the Hunter Valley and Liverpool Plains. The Hunter Valley and the Liverpool Plains should not be scarified for the sake of greed.
3. The Upper Hunter rural community and the environment cannot support or survive an increase in the coal production of this scale.

4. The Hunter cannot afford to lose any more valuable agricultural land, precious Aquifers or biodiversity.
5. If the SRLUP for the Upper Hunter and the New England North West are to be effective in preventing land use conflict, this large proposed expansion will not occur.
6. The proposal will require an extra 41 trains a day through the Hunter Valley Coal Chain .the combined impact of noise and dust through the major towns and suburbs along the line needs to be addressed, also the danger at level road crossing are increasing, especially after last week's tragic accident in the Hunter.
7. The proposal and expanded coal mines needed to supply it will put additional pressure on the health of the Hunter River System, the health of the Hunter people and the future viability of the Hunter Valley for food security.

The Hunter Valley and its communities have had enough. ENOUGH is ENOUGH, if this 4th Coal Terminal was to be approved this would also mean that the Coalition also failed in their pre – election promises to provide a better balance between mining and protecting prime agricultural lands and the greatest resource of all OUR WATER.

Yours sincerely,

Robyn A Moore.