

Social and economic impacts in Newcastle and Lower Hunter

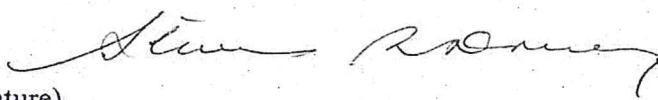
Continued reliance upon coal extraction is a poor long term choice for the community as it has no permanent positive social & economic impact when balanced against the physical environmental degradation, loss of agricultural land & pollution (direct and local as well as indirect and external eg in foreign places, being the recipients of the coal).

Impacts due to increased coal mining in NSW

Concentrating upon and increasing the economic & social dependence upon mechanized and capital intensive coal mining, predominantly for export is a short sighted direction for the people of NSW, which will have a long term social & economic & environmental negative impact both locally and internationally.

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