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NSW Department of Planning & Infrastructure  
GPO Box 39  
SYDNEY. NSW 2001

Dear Sir

**Letter of Support for Port Waratah Coal Services Proposed Terminal 4 Project**

As a born and bred Novocastrian and current employee of Port Waratah Coal Services, I wish to lodge my support for the proposed Terminal 4 Project.

Port Waratah is an employer of choice in the region and you don't have to go very far to have people ask how they can get a job here. I know it took me four attempts before I managed to gain employment.

Port Waratah's reputation in the community overall is very positive and is becoming better each year as the people become more informed of how active Port Waratah actually is in their community.

Since commencing my employment with Port Waratah in 2003, in excess of \$3.5m has been distributed amongst the local area in sponsorships and donations. Port Waratah provides funds to disadvantaged and vulnerable members of our community through sponsorship of charity organisations, medical research, special services, community welfare and young people by way of support of local schools, high school scholarships, apprenticeships, university scholarships and traineeships, as well as ad-hoc work experience opportunities. The support shown to employees who choose to fundraise for various charities is also very generous.

As part of a large, important and controversial industry such as mining and coal, Port Waratah plays an important part and takes its responsibilities within this industry, and its community, very seriously. Port Waratah is a responsible developer and operator and is constantly seeking to improve in every area of its operation to be ahead of world's best practice.

I have no doubt, and this is already being demonstrated by the significant biodiversity offset packages secured, that Port Waratah will continue its commitment and resolve to be a responsible and important member of the Newcastle community.

Yours sincerely



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