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NSW Planning

Application to stop the RIO MTW Extension based on the following points:

- Impact of the current operations has been intolerable for more than 5 years; NOISE, BLASTING and DUST;
- Our properties are worthless;
- We should not be forced to go through this extension application again!;
- Our families future and direction is unknown due to this mine;
- The independent noise monitoring done some years ago, indicated that the only time RIO was found to be over their limit was at our Property;
- We were threatened by RIO Staff that if we kept complaining about their operations we would get NOTHING!!! We have nothing now;
- We were advised by RIO Staff not to do anything to our properties as it was pointless and a waste of money due to the extension;
- No amount of noise control on their machinery will improve our quality of life nor our future;
- RIO accepted responsibility for cracks to our windows from blasting and installed new double glazed windows – these have no impact on noise levels whatsoever;
- Extension application should not even be considered being made at this time; RIO has taken no action on the issues raised from the first extension applications;
- Acquisition of properties – Should be happening before application for the extension is lodged;
- Noise Limits CURRENT are too high, unenforceable and RIO is unable to manage this;
- No mine should exceed 35 night or day;
- The Acquisitions lines that came with the original approval were unequitable and discriminated from property to property;
- RIO are not forthcoming with information are secretive and irresponsible neighbours;
- Our families health is affected greatly by this mine;
- Mitigation of properties is by no means a solution to their current impact let alone as they come closer;

- For over 5 years we have slept with no windows or doors open due to the noise;
- Noise is highly audible in the house over the sound of 3 children; televisions dishwashers etc.;
- Low Frequency NOISE Limits must be considered and restrictions placed on RIO;
- The impact of RIO's current operations and the appeal process have placed a huge amount of stress on our family;
- RIO will take the easily accessible coal first which means the surface coal bring them closer to our home in the short term not the long term.
- Residents should have the power to stay or go RIO should be made to offer voluntary acquisition applying the same formula to property values as those already acquired.

We do not want to stop the mine we accept that the economy needs it, our income is derived from the mining sector, but we expect to be treated fairly by RIO and the NSW Government. However,

NO Mine extension should be granted nor even considered while they cannot meet the expectations of their neighbours.

NOTHING WILL STOP THE NOISE AND THE DUST