

## Brendan Liew - Support for Wilpinjongs Modification 5 proposal

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Hi Brendan

I fully support Wilpinjong Coal's submission of Modification 5 for the following reasons:

1. They are my employer ☺
2. They have provided substantial economic growth and wealth to the mid-western region of NSW with particular focus on Mudgee, Gulgong, Ulan and Wollar and their surrounding areas.
3. We have made significant contributions to the NSW state, in particular royalties directly going to state revenue. Where I personally would like to see more royalties returned to the regions where they are generated, in particular to the Ulan Rd strategy – to make it safer as a resident who daily uses this road to not only come to work, but to travel to Mudgee (I live in Cooks Gap – between the mine and Mudgee). My safety whilst travelling on this road concerns me greatly as its structure should be improved to a major highway standard (e.g. Golden Hwy – road verges, cats eyes/reflectors, turning lanes), there are many dangerous sections of this road currently. If this road takes more daily traffic movements than the Newell Hwy, then why isn't it a highway standard??
4. We are a low environmental impact operator
5. We are a major employer in the region directly and indirectly through the use of our contractors.
6. We are a low cost operator in a current coal mine economic downturn. Whilst all the other coal mines outside our region are facing serious challenges, we remain very profitable, therefore a secure long term employer, economic stability locally and a contributor to all levels of Australian Govt through taxes we pay
7. We are a major charitable contributor to our local region supporting many worthwhile causes.

Kind regards  
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