## Sophie Butcher - Fwd: STRATFORD COAL EXTENSION OBJECTION

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Peter,

Submission from Mr Hardwick follows.

Kind regards

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>>> "Hardwick, Terry" <hardwicktj@bigpond.com> 24/01/2013 6:21 am >>> Dear Sir

We wish to lodge our objection to the proposed 24 hour operation of the Stratford Coal Mine working,

We live about 8 km west of the present mine and can hear the blasting and noise of the present workings. I know that people who live in the village of Stratford, which is right next to the mine, already contend with their houses shaking and loud noise at all times when the mine is working, plus the dust into their water tank supplies and on their washing and houses - let alone into their lungs as they go about their daily life.

If this extension is granted for work to continue over 24 hours the people of Stratford will be living in an untenable situation and the village will be no place for people to live with the continual noise, dust and lights. The school will close, farming families and villagers will leave and it will be another nail in the coffin of the villages around Gloucester. The way that communities are killed off by mining is absolutely appalling and probably is not even recognised by large companies and governments which simply take their profits and go.

To sum up: We object to this proposal because of the noise, dust, night-time lights causing untenable living conditions for local residents and loss of community, pollution of water supplies and loss of property values.

Yours sincerely Brian and Terry Hardwick 806 Upper Avon Road Stratford. 2422

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