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Executive Director
Resource Assessments
Department of Planning & Environment
GPO Box 39
Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: SSD-5145, Northern Coal Logistics Project

I am writing in **support** of the above proposal. I believe that the Northern Coal Logistics Project should be allowed to proceed for the reasons listed below:

- Coal is an extremely important energy source. Approximately 80% of electricity is generated by coal.
- The mining of coal produces royalties for NSW helping to fund infrastructures and essential services.
- The project will secure existing jobs. As I currently work at Mandalong Mine, this is extremely important to me and my family.
- In the current economic climate, every job is important. Other people in the community rely on me spending my earnings with local businesses.
- Centennial Coal has designed the infrastructure such that the coal from Mandalong Mine and Newstan Colliery do not travel on public roads. This is a very responsible approach to minimise the impacts of mining.

As there are no major detrimental issues associated with the project and the economic and energy benefits far outweigh the minor environmental impacts, I support the project and believe it should proceed.

Yours faithfully



Peter Cook