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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Cullen Valley Mine Part 3A Modification 2 - Mine Extension (DA 200-5-2003 MOD 2)**

**I fully support the proposed modifications at Cullen Valley Mine.**

This proposal will create much needed jobs in the area at a time when many people are losing their jobs. Extending the current approval will also secure a reliable supply of coal for Mt. Piper Power Station, reduce the price impacts of local energy users by continuing to use local resources and reduce the need to source and transport coal from outside the local area.

I believe this proposal has taken into account the feedback received from local residents and serves to limit or avoid impacts on the community and the environment.

The proposed open cut mining extension at Cullen Valley Mine remains more than 1.5km away from the Gardens of Stone National Park and is separated by a rail siding and a major highway. As such it is hard to see how it could have any significant impact upon the ecology of the National Park.

The rehabilitation carried out at Cullen Valley Mine has been very successful with well-established native flora and mature trees growing strongly. The view from the Redsprings Road is very impressive in terms of the scale of the rehabilitation and the way it blends back into the Ben Bullen State Forest.

The Federal Government has already completed its assessment and has concluded that the minor proposed modifications to Coalpac's existing planning approvals, to its two existing mines, would have no significant impact on any matter of environmental significance under its environmental protection legislation.

**I urge you to approve this modification as soon as possible and allow people to get their jobs back.**

Yours sincerely,