



25th July 2018

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Re: Objection to Dartbrook DA 231-7-2000 Modification N0 7 Bord and Pillar Mining and 5 Year Extension

I am writing on behalf of the **Denman Aberdeen Muswellbrook Scone Healthy Environment Group (DAMS HEG)** to object to Australia Pacific Coal's modification to gain a 5 year extension.

We are concerned about the continued and cumulative impacts of this proposal on health and our environment. Burning coal exacerbates climate change. Burning diesel produces PM 1 particles, which reduce lifespan.

Globally, the effects of climate change (eg rate of ice melting in Greenland, bushfires in the Arctic circle, bushfires in Greece, all in the news yesterday) are being accepted as signals to quit fossil fuels as quickly as possible.

Clearly the mine will negatively impact its neighbours, ground water and add to the already unacceptable air pollution including dust and PMs 2.5 and PM10 from diesel combustion.

We love where we live, have experienced enough destruction in the Upper Hunter and ask that this modification be rejected.

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