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The Secretary  
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Dear Ms McNally

**Re: Objection to Drayton South Coal Project Application Number: SSD 6875**

I am writing as a concerned resident to object to the second application by Anglo American for the Drayton South open coal mine project.

I have lived in the local area for over 10 years, I work for a local Thoroughbred Stud which is my only source of income, my partner and family have lived and operated a farm in the area for over 40 years, we are all members of local sporting groups and support the local community as much as possible. My reasons for objecting to this proposal are as follows:

As a homeowner, I feel the value of my residential property will decrease significantly if yet another mine is given the go ahead within my local area. I already experience huge amounts of coal dust within my home which my family and pets constantly breathe. I am now an asthmatic, which has only been diagnosed since my relocation to the Upper Hunter Valley. The quality of air is already a problem, increasing the amount of Coal Dust will only add the respiratory problems within the community.

My primary source of income is provided by my work as an Accounting Officer at a Leading Thoroughbred Stud, if this Stud closes and is forced to relocate, my financial wellbeing is in serious jeopardy. I am of an age where competing against younger people with the same skills will impact my chance of re-employment within my local area. My family will then be forced to relocate for financial reasons. This will impact my family greatly and cause undue stress and further anxiety.

Given that the previous applications were refused by the Planning Assessment Commission on various Environmental / Economic / Visual and Health grounds, why are the Government spending yet again more money to get the exact same result and answers. This situation is extremely stressful surely the Planning Assessment Commission cannot possibly revisit this application continuously, this application is causing stress and anxiety within my household, local community and place of employment.

I respectfully ask that you register my objection to this proposal and seriously consider my objections when assessing the appropriateness of the Drayton South open cut coal Proposal.

Yours sincerely,

Glenda Snell