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Objection to proposed Wallarah 2 Coal
Project - Application No. SSD 4974

Dear Madam/Sir.

I strongly object to the mine operating in this environmentally sensitive area. The Aquifer in this area is what provides clean fresh drinking water to the majority of the Central Coast. This mine will damage this Aquifer and with it our supply of fresh water. I have lived on the Central Coast for a long time now and clearly remember the recent water restrictions and the push by the Government for residents to install alternate water tanks to their dwellings. The long awaited pipe line to help alleviate the situation, conditions are fine at the moment but things change day by day. The coast will experience other dry spells. We coped in the past and we will cope in the future. But only if our water supply is not compromised by a mining company who are only motivated by resources and money, with little or no concern of the damage they cause at the time of mining or what occurs after they leave.

Air quality is also of particular concern to myself. A report just released state Mt Isa Coal mine Qld is causing many health issues due to air born heavy metals dust. In addition to breathing problems it is also responsible for

lead poisoning in the local community. Some members of my immediate family having breathing issues and do not need to be exposed to Coal Dust and other air born contaminants caused by mining in the area.

I am concerned that no study has been released or done to my knowledge of the possibility of an Earthquake occurring in the area, during or after completion of the mine. Clearly with serious mining underneath our water aquifer the possible consequences would be catastrophic and should be taken into consideration.

I am concerned that all information on what might or is expected to occur has been submitted by the applicant. These figures are being relied upon as being correct and accurate. These figures and projections alone scare me enough but with the knowledge that they are not being scientifically challenged sends me over board, as they would only show a best case scenario. Independent information by qualified independent Specialist should be obtained prior to the consideration of the granting of a license.

As seen on channel One 17.6.13 "World News Australia" The Climate Change Commissioner released a report June, 2013 stating: Extreme Weather Scientist say this decade is critical. Burning of fossil fuels is the major cause. If we don't turn things around now it will be too late. 1-100 extreme weather events are now occurring at a 1-5 frequency & getting worse. The ONLY way to combat it is to leave the coal in the ground.

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