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Attention: Director – Resource Assessments

**RE: Wallarah 2 Coal Project – Amended Development Application  
Hardy Bros Submission**

Dear Director,

We would like to lodge this written submission in support of the Wallarah 2 Coal Project (W2CP) Amended Development Application.

As a local civil earthworks and mining contractor (based in Tuggerah, NSW) we are very much in support of any civil construction and mining related projects that are seeking various local, state and federal government approvals.

With the downturn in the mining industry, the civil and mining construction industries have naturally struggled due to the lack of industry investments within existing or new projects; as such if approved the W2CP would certainly provide a much needed lift to the Wyong / Tuggerah and surrounding local areas with respect to local investment and possible employment and contract tendering opportunities.

A key aspect to the W2CP amended development application is that it avoids the need to develop infrastructure on land owned by the Darkinjung LALC, thereby removing the requirement for the consent of the NSW Aboriginal Land Council; and as such the W2CP will have no additional impact on Aboriginal heritage values.

As such, via the W2CP Amended Development Application; it is considered that the project will provide significant economic benefits for the local community and requires less land disturbance (as highlighted above; excludes the need to develop infrastructure on land owned by the Darkinjung LALC) than the original proposal.

Based on the above, we trust that the NSW Government will likewise support the W2CP, and we look forward to it's project approval in a timely manner, to allow the investment from the approval of this project to flow into the local Wyong / Tuggerah community.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned should you require further information.

Yours sincerely,

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