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Submission of Objection

Wallarah 2 Coal Project: SSD 4974
Amended Development Application

Dear Sir,

I wish to lodge a strong objection to the amended Wallarah 2 coal mine proposal for the following reasons:

1. The amended DA does not mitigate the larger environmental and social impacts of the proposed Wallarah 2 coal mine
2. The social and environmental costs of this major threat to Central Coast drinking water supply far outweighs any perceived public benefit from increased coal extraction and consumption
3. Kores has not demonstrated that the company has the financial capacity to comply with obligations under the *Mining Act 1992* or to adequately meet any conditions applied under the *Environmental Assessment and Planning Act 1979*
4. The predicted employment figures are highly inflated and need to be independently assessed
5. The assessment of noise and dust impacts, particularly on the communities at Wyee and Blue Haven, needs to be independently reviewed
6. Previous findings of the Planning Assessment Commission have demonstrated that the Wallarah 2 coal project should be rejected based on the uncertainty concerning subsidence predictions

Yours faithfully

B. Smiles

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