## 1 September 2016

The Director
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Department of Planning & Infrastructure
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Dear Sir/Madam

Wallarah 2 Coal Mine – Amendment to Development Application SSD-4974 (the amended DA) lodged for the Wyong Areas Coal Joint Venture (WACJV) on 7 July 2016

I refer to the above application and wish to lodge my objection to the proposal on the grounds detailed below:

## **Bushfire**

- 1. Despite being a proposal to undertake a development on bushfire prone land, the Amended DA is silent on the issue. There is no assessment of bushfire risks.
- 2. It does not provide for Asset Protection Zones around any of the development footprint.
- 3. The removal of a public road (Nikko Road) which assists in the management of bushfire risks. It proposes to replace that road with a 3m wide easement which is not connected to any traversable road. The 3m wide easement is not adequate for fire trucks, particularly to that land on the eastern side of the rail corridor south of the motorway link road.
- 4. There are significant residential areas in the vicinity. WSC took the responsible Further Considerations

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