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## I OPPOSE THE ROCKY HILL COAL PROJECT

To whom in may concern,

In reference to the ROCKY HILL COAL PROJECT – Application No.SSD5156 This letter is written to oppose the Rocky Hill Coal project. I have not made a reportable political donation of any kind.

I am a regular visitor to Gloucester as my sister-in-law and her husband own a home just outside the Gloucester township. We love the region and greatly enjoy the beautiful scenery, the fresh country air and quiet and peaceful ambiance of the Gloucester valley.

I was appalled to hear of this proposed mining development occurring so close to the town and the local residence. Hence I investigated some of the research carried out on the proposed mine. The report I viewed revealed a number of very disturbing consequences of the mine, including unacceptable noise pollution and high levels of air pollution causing a number of local to move residences.

This development would destroy the future of this growing iconic town. As was the case in Stroud, people will leave the town, house prices would drop and the tourist industry would be destroyed. I cannot see how such a development located so close to Gloucester and causing such devastation to this beautiful town could be approved.

Hence I complete oppose this mining development application.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Paterson