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## Submission for the Rocky Hill Coal Project – Application No SSD-5156 Stratford Coal Extension Project – Application No SSD - 4966 MOD 1

Dear Sir/Madam

I oppose the Rocky Hill Coal Project together with the Stratford Mine Modification. These operations are to be constructed directly across the Gloucester Valley from our family home and will have a deleterious effect on the quality of life that we presently enjoy.

The construction will create an ugly vista on the eastern and southern sides of our property. It can only be expected that the spoil will create large and unsightly mounds. There will also be the additional use of cranes and lights during the construction phase that will ruin views. No amount of rehabilitation can return the affected areas to a state that will be as it is now.

There is also the issue of the dust that will be released from the actual mining works that will impact on our health and that of our fruit trees and vegetation. This is something that cannot be screened out or minimised. If the mine is extended over time, this nuisance will also increase

This will be compounded by the noise generated by the construction and the endless line of trucks moving the overburden out of the valley. This will impact on our quiet enjoyment of life here, one of the main reasons to have our retirement here in Gloucester.

As a land-owner and a long-term resident of the area, I feel that this is not suitable project to bring to the Valley. It will reduce the value of our land and ruin the amenity of the view and quiet enjoyment on our property, and can expect in our retirement.

Gloucester does not need this mine. Do not approve the Rocky Hill Coal Project.

Yours faithfully

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