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Director – Resource Assessments
Planning Services
Department of Planning and Environment
GPO Box 39
Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Sir/Madam,

I oppose the Rocky Hill Coal Project – Application No. SSD-5156
And the Stratford Coal Extension Project – Application No. SSD-4966 MOD 1

I regularly visit Gloucester. I have family who live there. I am very concerned about the proposed open cut coal mine, the Rocky Hill Coal Project, planned for Gloucester.

The beautiful environment is what is so special about the Gloucester valley. This will be destroyed by an unsightly open cut mine, and there will be dust and the noise generated by this mine.

The mine site is too close to the township and residencies. Nearly 300 people live within 3km; 2000 people live within 5km; 3500 people live within 7km of the proposed coal mine. There will be serious health impacts caused by a mine so close to residences. Air pollution from coal dust and diesel emissions will cause respiratory problems and other serious medical conditions. Noise, both high and low frequency, will be a constant complaint. No community should have to live with a mine so close.

Why would you permanently damage this beautiful valley with scenery that attracts tourists? Tourism in Gloucester is flourishing. This mining company, like so many others, has foreign ownership. That means most of the profits will go overseas. It does not make sense.

I ask the NSW Department of Planning to do the right thing and NOT approve this mine, which will effect so many people in a negative way.

Yours faithfully,

