

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



PCU067429

6

Department of Planning
Received
10 OCT 2016
Scanning Room

Michael Powell
67 Meeks Rd
Marrickville 2204

Dear Director,

I am very strongly opposed to the Rocky Hill Coal Project and the Stratford Coal Extension Project.

These projects will have serious health affects on the local residents because of the dust and noise they will inevitably produce.

They will disrupt and pollute underground water resources and destroy the natural beauty of the area. This will have long-term negative affects on the agricultural and tourist industries.

It has been reported that the NSW Government will receive only about \$120 million over the life of the mine, in taxes and revenue, but the Gloucester community generates \$50 million per year for tourism alone. The cost to taxpayers of dealing with health problems caused by the mines, and possible rehabilitation costs, make it 'ridiculously' uneconomic for the Government to allow and support these mines.

It does not seem unreasonable to see this support as a betrayal of the people of NSW and of Australia as a whole because it damages or destroys the prospects of long-term income from agriculture and tourism.

Yours sincerely,
M. Powell

I have not made a reportable political donation.

M.P.