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

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

Dear Sir

I completely oppose both of the projects above.

We have friends in Gloucester who are totally opposed to the mine. They have shown us where the mine will be and we are amazed that the state government could approve a mine so close to houses. The scenic beauty of the Gloucester valley will be lost forever. This will lead to a drop in tourists. Surely this will mean that whatever financial benefit claims the mining company makes will be cancelled out by loss of tourist dollars.

Gloucester is known to be clean and green. That's its claim to fame. That image will be irreparably damaged if this mine is approved.

Our friends are very concerned about any health issues that will arise from living near this mine. It is known that living near coal mines has a detrimental affect on health, including asthma and heart disease. The NSW Department of Health cannot deny the risks.

We ask that the NSW Planning Department do the right thing and not approve this mine, which will effect so many people in a negative way.

Yours faithfully

I am also a Vendor at the Local Markets and I worry about the effect on the tourist trade who are my customers.

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