

Dendrobium Mine Extension Project (SSI-33143123)

Attention: Director – Coal and Quarry Assessments
Department of Planning, Industry and Environment
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supports the proposed Dendrobium Mine Extension Project (SSI-33143123).

Reasons for my support are as follows:

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- ☒ Secure the future of around **2,000 jobs** across Illawarra Metallurgical Coal's workforce - of which more than 90% live locally.
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- ☒ The Project would allow South32 to continue to support local suppliers and contractors, providing additional security and longevity of employment in the region.

Environmental Measures and Outcomes

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- ☒ Our revised mine plan reduces our footprint and thereby reduces potential impacts as identified by the NSW Independent Planning Commission.
- ☒ As part of our proposal, we commit to offset any impact on surface water sources to ensure that the Project is a positive contributor on priority water projects to result in a net benefit to Sydney's drinking water supply.

Steelmaking in the Illawarra

- ☒ The Project is a fundamental part of the coal for steelmaking supply chain - securing jobs and wages that will grow the communities around our mines including major employers such as BlueScope Steel, NSW Ports and local suppliers.

Other reasons: _____

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Date: 2-6-22

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