OBJECTION TO THE HUME COAL MINE PROPOSAL

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I lived in Sydney from Birth until the age of about 25 years, although my mother had grown up in the country. I spent many of my school years visiting Crookwell,

Canberra and the Southern Highlands where my relatives lived. I even spent several years at a boarding school in Moss Vale.

Then after living in France, America, Northbridge and in Queensland my husband and I retired but did not return to Sydney. We came to Joadja for 14 years and more recently to Woodlands, both in the Southern Highlands.

These are areas loved by my husband, and me but there are now problems and fears concerning the possibility of a large coalmine being built and what that means to many of us.

Four examples are given here, although there are many more. 1. Country people need bore water for many reasons and a coalmine will damage the bore waters.

2. Contamination caused by coal rejects under the ground could cause problems permanently.

3. The argument and possible court battles concerning access to properties where people do not have their properties.

4. Each day I hear of fears of others concerning the coalmine from people much closer to me. From the Sydney side of Mittagong into Berrima then from Berrima into Sutton Forest it can be heard.

There should not be a coalmine in this area.

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