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**This is a submission to the Hume Coal Project SSD 7172**

I object to this project and recommend that it be rejected.

The effects of heavy industry have been well known world wide for many years. The Southern Highlands has never been an area depending on heavy industry. Local industries have been based successfully on Agriculture and Tourism.

The benefits to the area regarding employment have been greatly exaggerated .

The water supplies to local landowners will be greatly affected by both significant effects on bores locally and pollution of supplies generally.

Other effects of heavy industry in basically a rural industry including frequent trains every day causing disruption noise and dust, to the whole of the Southern Highlands.

This is a district of considerable winds which will spread coal dust with an increased impact on local health. Many people come to this area to live because of the lack of pollution up to this time.

I have lived and worked in this area for most of my life and believe strongly this project would be the ruination of a beautiful district.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alan Chittick', with a stylized flourish at the end.