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Gerard Le Breton, of Maryland NSW, made the following submission on the project:

Mangoola Mine - Modification 6 - Extraction Rate Increase



Objects to this project

The extraction rate increase proposed by Mangoola Mine should not go ahead. The proposed 30% increase in extraction rate shows inadequate planning of Mangoola mine's time and money. More importantly, dumping toxic salt water into the Hunter River shows inadequate consideration for local waterways. The Hunter River requires as much preservation as it can get - <http://www.esri.com/news/arcuser/0708/focus-river.html>

The proposed increase, or indeed any future proposals associated with the mining of coal purely from a financial perspective also shows inadequacies. Analysis from Bloomberg New Energy Finance made on the 7th February 2013 shows concludes that electricity from unsubsidised renewable energy is already cheaper than electricity from new-build coal and gas-fired power stations in Australia - <http://about.bnef.com/press-releases/renewable-energy-now-cheaper-than-new-fossil-fuels-in-australia/>

Renewable energy will inevitably become a requirement in the near future - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=61Yp0npCbo0>

Perhaps renewable energy investment in the future by Mangoola Mine will show greater adequacy in financial and environmental planning.

Regards,
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