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Dear Sir

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RE: MT ARTHUR COAL MODIFICATION (09_0062 MOD 1)

I am writing to make my objection to Mt Arthur Coal's Modification.

I object to the project for the following reasons:

As a tour operator and a resident in the area for 32 years I have seen a huge change in the landscape and air quality and not for the better.

To this extent I have had to move my operations to Port Stephens to be able to get away from the dust in the air that is causing breathing problems which I don't have down here.

The comments by my clients that visit the area to see the Thoroughbred Studs and other attractions (that are slowly leaving the area) is what are you doing to this country.?

To approve anymore extensions to any of the operations (as above)is slap in the face to those people living in the area and that are trying to make a living from the land and living in small towns.

It seems to be that there is only one industry in the area and bugger the rest.

Well I am sorry Mr Sprott there are other industries in the area, but if you continue in this vein and mining becomes the only industry left it will be a very sad day, and you will be accountable.

Yours sincerely,
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