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Attention: Director, Mining and Industry Projects

Proposal MP 10_0046 - MOD 1

I object to this modification proposal on the grounds of environmental and health impacts, and the extent of the proposal:

* long-wall mining is clearly identified by a wide range of authors as a threat to the Sydney Drinking Water Catchment's water quality and quantity, wetland and river ecosystems, and geological and aquifer integrity

* the expanded mine operations will have a greatly increased negative impact on local residential areas, through additional truck movements, increased noise, and increased exposure to coal dust, now recognised as a likely carcinogen

* it appears to be a considerable expansion of operations to the extent of a new proposal, and beyond what should be considered a modification of the original project

I have not made a reportable political donation.

Yours sincerely
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