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To Whom It May Concern

## Re: Maxwell Underground Coal Mine Project. SSD-9526

My name is Bob Dixon and I am equipment and service provider to the NSW mining industry.

I am writing to lodge my support for Malabar Coal's Maxwell Underground Project.

This project in my opinion makes sense on a number of fronts and is making good use of state resource assets, and will further enhance the employment prospects for the hunter with both direct and indirect jobs. Mining companies I have been associated with are demonstrating more than ever their social license to operate and coexist within the wider community.

I support the project because it will deliver important benefits for the local community and NSW.

COEXISTENCE: The project is a common-sense "win-win" for our community. A number of recent mine proposals have been questioned and challenged rightfully, my observation is Malabar has developed a sensible project that means our community can benefit from the economic boost a new mine will provide – while also allowing other industries such as horse studs and other land uses to continue their operations. From my prospective the EIS for the Maxwell Project shows that the underground mine can co-exist safely with other industries. Co-existence has always been an important part of our community. Having a number of strong industries has helped our community to flourish. This project means that can continue for years to come.

Our community needs a diverse economy and the Maxwell Underground Project can help make sure our economy prospers for decades to come.

Regards

Bob Dixon