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To Whom it may Concern,

I want to start by saying that I am not against mining, but after careful consideration of the proposed Bowdens Silver Project I fear for the safety of my whole family and cannot sit by and allow this mine to go ahead without trying to fight for our homes to stay safe.

Our Family property is on the Pyangle Rd Rylstone, 10kms in a straight line from the Lue Mine site. We have owned this property for 30 years and have always loved the peace and tranquillity.

We run Angus cattle on our property, that are sold for human consumption. We have also been breeding through a specialised AI breeding program.

Due to the ongoing droughts we had to spend enormous amounts of money on an underground bores and troughs for our cattle to survive. Our concern that this mine will be using 80% of the underground water and the farming land will lose all underground water supply.

We are also extremely worried about the health implications the Bowden's Silver Mine project will have on our whole area.

We also believe Bowden's have been misleading the public by hiding behind the façade of "Silver" when in fact Lead & Zinc will also be heavily mined. (Zinc 58% & Lead 42%, Silver 0.5%)

Due to the changing climate we have all witnessed the extreme winds, last year we had winds gushing over 90km hr and dust storms, dust blew from as far as Nyngan and further west, we were unable to open our house, how can Bowdens guarantee that no Lead or any other heavy metals will not blow on to our properties? I doubt this would be ever possible!

As we have no access to town water we rely on our tank water for drinking and showering, with the settlement of dust on our roof we will no longer be able to drink our pure rain water, will this mine have the water sent by pipes from Rylstone to Pyangle Rd or be compensating for expensive water filter systems to be installed to ensure the safety of our family.

Another major concern is the Lue road to Mudgee, a small country road will never withstand a high volume of heavy haulage trucks, back and forth on a daily run, not to mention the risk to the local community or children on School buses travelling to Mudgee. This is not a normal mine where product is loaded to a train and removed off site without risk to human life on our roads. These trucks are transporting highly toxic materials.

I could continue with pages of reasons why this mine is of serious threat to the community around it, Jobs are just not enough to out way the risks associated. How many reasons does our government need before they can see Bowdens puts us all in danger? How many jobs will ever compensate the risk to human life.

Regards

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