

## PLANNING ASSESSMENT COMMISSION MEETING

Springvale Water Treatment Project,

Western Coal Services Project MOD 1 & Springvale Mine Extension  
Project MOD 2

### Intro:

Welcome Mr Ross Carter (chair), Ms Lynelle Briggs AO and Mr David Johnson.

My name is Barry Reid. Lifelong resident of the Lithgow Area. I am married with 4 grown up Children. Two have built homes in Lithgow & 2 have purchased Land ready to build. They have made big commitments to the area based upon economic and job availability stability. Their story is no different to many more families in the area that rely upon the economic benefits of Springvale Coal, either <sup>ANSP</sup> directly or indirectly. If Springvale Mine was forced to close the jobs of at least 600 people in the Lithgow area would be lost leaving Lithgow a ghost town. <sup>MOUNT PIPER</sup>

The Springvale Water Treatment Project is critical to ensure the operations of Springvale Mine & in turn essential as a Coal source for Mt Piper Power Station, which in turn supplies 15% of the electricity for NSW.

Let us not forget the basket case South Australia is in, in terms of state wide Electricity black outs due to their cuts in Base Load Power generation. We don't want Lithgow & NSW to be the same but we should also keep in mind that there are people in this room today that would be so happy to see this happen.

AS JOHN <sup>TILLEY</sup> SAID. Form LETTERS: YOU ONLY REQUIRE 25  
LETTERS TO HAVE A P.A.C. HOW ABSURD WHEN THERE IS

Look at the Planning Departments web site it said that there was a high level of Public Interest, but, just like every other PAC, Messer's COPY & PASTE was the contributors of the objections. Every objection I looked at was exactly the same. No independence in the thought process nor ideas. But, yet again the Colong Foundation has submitted another objection. Do they ever agree to anything???

REMEMBER WHAT BEN SMITH SAID ABOUT  
OPPOSITION GROUPS

I DID WONDER  
WHY SENATOR  
KENAPPA  
WANTS AN  
ENQUIRY INTO  
CHARITY STATUS

The Australian Government web site states that the Current details for ABN 84 001 112 143 Colong Foundation is that it has Charity Status, Has GST Concession, Has FBT Rebates & Has Income Tax Exemption. So this is the same Group that potentially wants to shut Springvale down, take YOUR JOB, put stress on you and your FAMILY. Turn LITHGOW and surrounds into a GHOST TOWN !!! and has a charity status with Tax Deductions to help fund its actions against us.

We shouldn't feel left out as this group is currently campaigning against, Raising the Warragamba Dam Wall, Badgerys Creek Air Port and even the PM's 2.0 Hydro scheme.

Springvale Mine is so Important in the production of Base Load Electricity that this now more than ever is of critical State Significance. Springvale is the only capable supplier of Coal for Mt Piper. If Generators 3 & 4 are built at Mt Piper, further Coal will be required for the production of Base Load Electricity at Mt Piper. Again we only have to look at how much South Australia is a basket Case, having now had more than 1 complete state black out of Electricity. The effects that this has on manufacturing and the economic problems that this has caused due to the excessively high electricity pricing has caused Coca Cola in Adelaide to close down.

Coca Cola is a BIG Company, much bigger than Centennial Coal. The message to me is quite clear. Keep adding to the costs, even to the point of Lithgow Council now in their submission wanting a voluntary contribution of 1% of total project costs, there is a point that A Coca Cola type closing could occur here. Let us hope not!!! Governments realize the importance of this project and we all hope that the passing of this project is expedited.

The activists use the PAC as an opportunity to ask for more and seem as if they are never happy with an outcome. Perhaps they will not be happy until they close Springvale down.

I WAS ALWAYS TOLD TO RESPECT OTHERS JUST F. A  
BECAUSE THEY HAD A DIFFERENT POINT OF VIEW 36-3  
TALK ABOUT NUMBER OF SUPPLIERS THAT  
SPOKE TODAY.

I ask that the Springvale Water Treatment Project be approved

How CAN I RESPECT OUR OPPOSITION WHEN THEY  
CAN'T EVEN STAY & 450W

I used to think that I met old friends at Weddings & Funerals. Not anymore! Now I know I will meet them at a Planning & Assessment Commission Meeting.

Hopefully there won't be any more PAC in the future and it will back to Weddings & Funerals