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To the members of the PAC
I am writing this submission in support of the proposed Springvale Mine Extension.
The loss of this mine means the loss of 300+ jobs in our area. Not only will 300 jobs will be directly affected by the closure of the mine, but also the flow-on affect in other industries will be detrimental.
Industries such as engineering works in Lithgow, Newcastle, Wollongong and Western Sydney will be affected as they contract to the mines. This will result in men losing their jobs in these areas as well.
Small businesses will also have to put people off because, with the loss of income coming into our towns, employers will not be able to afford to pay their employees. In my business, [redacted], I have experienced a major downturn since the loss of the Coalpac and Angus Place Mines, and I have had to cut back the hours of my staff. If the Springvale expansion is disapproved, I will find myself in a position where I will have to lay off staff and consider closing my doors.
The annual wages from Springvale are in the vicinity of $30 million per plus the multiplier effect takes this amount to around $100 million per year. Our LGA cannot afford to lose this amout of money being spent in our region.
If men are laid off, they will find themselves in the real position of either having to relocate their entire family for work purposes, or leave their family where they are, and they, themselves relocate to wherever the work is and come home at weekends, or when they are able to get a couple of days off. This has a major moral effect on the family unit, often leading to divoice and lack of control over children.
I therfore implore the member to approve the Springvale Expansion, and in doing so, support our region.

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