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To the NSW Planning and Assessment Commission

I am currently an employee of Springvale Coal and I am affected by the current application being processed by the NSW Government and Planning Commission.

The Springvale Coal mine proposal affects a lot of people in a wide regional area of which Lithgow is the hub. Many employees of Springvale live in other cities, towns and villages. Such as Bathurst, Katoomba, Blackheath, Portland, Kandos, Wallerawang and Cullen Bullen just to name a few. Not only Lithgow will be affected by the mine extension not going ahead. Many families in these towns will be affected. Approximately 300 jobs will be directly affected with another 1200 jobs indirectly affected before it snowballs into other supply and auxiliary industries. Springvale Mine, its employees and the CMFU support and donate to a wide range sporting groups, charities and individuals in need of support. If this ceases there will be even more families and community groups struggling with day to day living.

Environmental issues are always of concern, but these are being addressed by Springvale Coal working with the EPA and other government agencies. The other environment issue is the moral one of mining and coal in general. These issues are on a global scale about the ethical and environment which don't directly affect the proposal of Springvale Mine Extension.

Regards
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