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Dear Minister,

I wish to make the following comments regarding the Bylong Coal Mine:

This mine will definitely impact World Heritage as it adjoins Wollemi National

Park at the western end of the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area. Also, the Bioregional Assessment for the Hunter subregion identified that the Mine could draw down water resources into 137 square kilometres of the World Heritage Area.

A recent independent study of the heritage significance of the Tarwyn Park Property, which is part of the mine proposal, found that the scenic values of The Bylong Valley, along with the other valleys at its western end, contribute To the scenic value of the World Heritage area.

There will also be noise pollution in the World Heritage Area. The company's Environmental Impact Statement found that "the noise created by the Construction and operation of the Project is likely to affect native species And affect the value of the habitats that remain".

There is a cumulative impact occurring as a result of coal mining activities in Several locations at the perimeter of the Great Blue Mountains World Heritage

Area, including the loss of water in Thirlmere Lakes as a result of drawdown From the Tahmoor mine, pollution of wild rivers in the World Heritage Area by the

Clarence and Springvale Mines and subsidence risks from the longwalls of the Wambo coal mine adjacent to the northern edge of Wollemi National Park near

Singleton.

Given all the valid reasons above, this mine would be extremely detrimental And I am asking you to please reject it. This area is too important and needs to

Remain as is!!

Thank you for taking my comments into serious consideration.

Kind regards,

Yvonne Fessler

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