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From:

Date: Tue, Apr 16, 2019 at 2:01 PM

Subject: Dartbrook Coal Mine Modification 7 (DA231-7-2000 mod 7)

To:

Dear Sir/Madam

Re the Dartbrook Coal Mine Modification 7 (DA231-7-2000 mod 7)

I do not live in the Hunter area but have many friends there and have been distressed at the multiplicity of wastelands created by the mining industry in what was once a most beautiful valley.

I object to the Dartbrook Coal Mine modification

I am concerned at the impact of this mine and others planned in the area. We can't go on denying the effects of such activity on climate change and I fear for the future for our children and grandchildren who will suffer the consequences of our reckless rape of the land. There are alternatives to finding employment for workers in the industry - but once the planet is wasted - what will there be left to work for? You can't eat coal; you can't drink gas.

I have been told that there have been a substantial number of detailed presentations by experts to demonstrate that the Proponent's application did not address many important issues, and in other cases, show that the details in the application were wrong including the following:

- 1. Impact on the special economic zones for equine and viticulture industries
- 2. Economic outcomes for Australia and NSW
- 3. Water
- 4. Landscape
- 5. Aboriginal and Colonial heritage
- 6. Climate change

The applicant relied on some data that is 20 years old and so is not relevant in 2019 and the experts advised the three Commissioners that the Applicant's data and conclusions

were wrong and could not be relied upon and therefore the Application should be refused.

As in Pope Francis words "We know that technology based on the use of highly polluting fossil fuels especially coal but also oil and gas needs to be progressively replaced without delay".

Thank you for taking the time to read my objection to the Dartbrook Coal Mine Mod 7. I hope you will take my concerns seriously.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Walters