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Dartbrook Coal Mine - Modification 7 (DA 231-7-2000 MOD7)

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**Submission**

The statement in this flyer that the mine was closed due to safety reasons is a total falsehood. The closure occurred because of the downturn in the industry at the time combined with the fact that the mine was operating at a financial loss.

I was employed at the mine from January 2007 until July 2014 as the statutory electrical and mechanical engineer. I managed the care and maintenance program. As a person with 44 years mining experience it is my belief that the mine should never have been closed, rather a different approach to the mining method should have been introduced.

The basic infrastructure is in place and all of the requirements for compliance with the original DA have been met so there should be no reason to not let production resume.

The argument that Australia Pacific coal may want to apply to develop an open cut in the future is a separate issue and will be a completely separate proposal; if it ever happens.

This mine will provide local employment, a boost to the local housing industry and a much needed boost to local industry.

Regards

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