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Subject: Hume Coal Project and Berrima Rail Project (SSD 7172 & SSD 7171) Second Referral- Request for

Information

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## Dear Sir/Madam

I am <u>writing in support of the DPIE response</u> to the IPC request in respect of the "Additional Material" contained in its letter of 22 July 2021 to the IPC.

I am a community representative on the Boral and Austral community consultative committees. As such I am privy to information regarding the future plans of those two companies.

Accordingly, I would like to say that in respect of the train movements, the impact of the Hume Coal production will have a greater cumulative impact than expressed in Mr. O'Donoghue's letter of 22 July 2021.

This is because the branch line that presently services the Berrima Cement Works will be increasingly impacted by the industrial growth in the "Enterprise Corridor" (between New Berrima and Burradoo).

In the next year the Austral Brickworks will relocate from Bowral to the Enterprise Corridor, near New Berrima and the Berrima cement works. On 30 September 2019 Austral received approval for its large masonry plant, to be located adjacent to its new brickworks (DA 18/0576). Both of these factories will operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week and with local concerns regarding truck movements there will be increasing reliance on the train line.

In addition, recent announcements have been made for (1) a plastics recycling factory, and (2) an electric vehicle factory in the Enterprise Corridor. As the increasing industrialisation of the Enterprise Corridor proceeds the demands on the branch line will increase considerably. The Hume Coal demands on the branch line will, therefore, compound these new pressures on the line.

regards,

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