To the IPC

I am an employee at Rixs Creek Mine and have been a proud employee of the Bloomfield group for just over 37 years

My grandfather was also employed by the Bloomfield group for the last 30 odd years of his working life as an electrical Engineer & my son is now proud to be employed at Rixs creek as a tradesman.

As you can see our family has a solid history with the Bloomfield group & during that time I believe the company has shown to be very ethical and caring to its employees, the wider community & its partners in business

The fact that this still is an Australian family owned & run company and has managed to survive through the tough times of the mining cycle, shows their commitment to their employees and the Rixs Creek mine for the long haul.

Through my years at this company, two of the most important goals I have witnessed firsthand are the companies continual strive to exceed community expectations with regard to environmental compliance and work place health and safety.

Rixs creek directly now employs over 200 employees and close to that again in short & long term contractors , not to mention the suppliers and off site support. If the extension isn’t granted you can see it would have a significant effect on the employees & the local community.

These along with a lot of other sound reasons I believe are why the extension should be granted, along with the longer term consent

Yours sincerely

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