To whom it may concern

 I would like to give my support for the Mod 10 and to the Rix’s creek lease extension. I have been working for the Bloomfield group for 3.5yrs as a machine operator, but have 18 yrs in the industry. My family and I are proud coal miners, who have worked in the hunter valley mining sector for 3 generations.

 I have a young family who I want to grow up in the hunter, but I feel if the mod 10 doesn’t get approved, then that may have a negative effect on the approval process for the lease extension, which could in turn mean my future employment is at risk. If this happens then I would have to look further afield for employment, and I don’t want to uproot my family and leave the hunter valley. Having the mod 10 approved would go a long way to easing my mind that I would have a future here at Rixs Creek.

 The continuation of Rixs Creek is imperative for hundreds of workers and their families, not to mention all the associated community businesses it supports. This is a company that ensures all environmental guidelines are met and exceeded, continually monitors sound and dust to ensure no neighbours are impacted by the work of the mine. Thank you for taking the time to read my letter of support, I hope it helps in your decision.

Kind Regards

Jason Robards