



Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2020

New South Wales Government  
Independent Planning Commission

**Re: - Russell Vale Underground Expansion Project**

Dear Commissioners Clark, Williams & Fell,

I write to you today in support of the Russell Vale Underground Expansion Project.

In the current coal mining climate, with reduced production due to dwindling coal prices and global consumption, mine sites closed or closing and equipment manufacturers and other industry providers working with reducing returns, it is critical that all reasonable opportunities are approved to proceed.

VLI Diesel have been individually affected by a reduced base of active fleet numbers due to the contracted industry and Wollongong Coal's Russell Vale site have a suite of VLI products that by supplying on and offsite services will greatly assist VLI in remaining viable and continuing to employ people in both the Illawarra and Hunter districts.

Yours Sincerely,

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