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NSW Independent Planning Commission  
Application No SSD-8642

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### **Glencore Mangoola Coal continued operations project**

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to lodge my support for Mangoola Coal continued operations project

My name is Susan Pickersgill and I was the Editor of the Denman News, which was the local paper in Denman.

I was employed at the Denman News for fifteen years

I have lived in Denman for twenty-three years, and have raised our family here.

My husband has been employed at Mangoola Coal for the past 11 years.

I have three children who live and work in Denman and surrounds.

My eldest daughter Amy has completed an Environmental Science Degree at UNE in Armidale and completed her vacation work at Mangoola, along with her sister Laura who completed a double degree in Mathematics and Education.

Our son Thomas is currently completing his Electrical Apprenticeship in Muswellbrook.

All three of our children attended local public schools and have gained employment easily in our small country town, where job security, education and investment make our community strong and vibrant.

The drought in the Upper Hunter was crippling over the past couple of years, and without the injection of the mining industry, our small town would have been on its knees.

The economic benefits of Mangoola Coal continued operations project will be immense for Denman and the surrounding towns, also the small and large businesses that will be contracted over the mine life.

**The outcome – JOBS AND SUSTAINABILITY**, which keep small country towns prosperous, and viable for families to grow and enjoy.

Mangoola's rehabilitation projects are second to none, having seen firsthand their award winning 100ha rehabilitation site, which was extremely impressive.

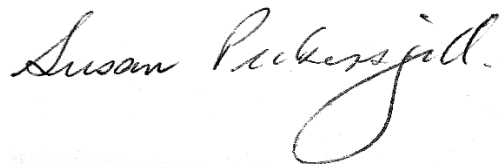
This is a great indicator of who the company are, and that they aim to keep their promises regarding the mine. The continued operations of Mangoola mine is a no brainer!!

80 percent of the 390 employees at Mangoola Coal are locals, and the monetary benefits (total contribution of 355 million) 155 million of that will flow to the local businesses and community groups within the continued project, which will be immense.

These benefits will make a substantial long-term difference to the communities in the Upper Hunter.

Our community needs a strong economy, and Mangoola strive to be the best in their class and go beyond with their environmental footprint.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan Pickersgill". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping 'S' at the beginning and a long, sweeping tail that extends downwards and to the right.

Susan Pickersgill