This is an amended submission

We are opposed to the Wallarah 2 Coal Project Development on the following: Reasons & Motive & Grounds.

1. We are residents in the Lake Macquarie City Local Government Area.
2. There are no conditions of consent set for any residents in Lake Macquarie Local Government area. There will be a number of residents in Lake Macquarie Local Government Area affected if this project proceeds.
3. The forgotten residents by Wallarah 2 Mine Project. We do not exist according to Wallarah 2 Project EIS.
4. Wallarah 2 Coal mine Project has never contacted our family to ask us to attend any of their presentations. Wallarah 2 mining project has never given our family the opportunity to negotiate mitigation measures to help cope with the noise and dust that may be created by this project, nor the cleaning cost of our residents, water tanks, guttering, roof of houses to collect clean domestic water for the life of this mining project, with work being carried out less than 300 metres from our residents.
5. The centre of Bushells Ridge Road is the Boundary between Lake Macquarie City Local Government area and Wyong Shire Local Government area, now Central Coast Council area.
6. Bushells Ridge Road is a light Rural Road not constructed to cope with heavy industrial traffic. This road is a Rural road the entire length.
7. In Wallarah 2 Project EIS (Pages ES4,2-31,2-39,sect 2-8-4Stockpiles) a Coal Stockpiles of 250000 tonne is to be formed for storage of Coal.
8. This Stockpile is less than 300 metres from our Resident. The stockpile is to the south of our resident in Bushells Ridge Road WYEE. This stockpile will have machinery working on the stockpile moving coal around the stockpile. There is substantial
Southerly wind across the open paddock between our houses on Bushells Ridge Road and this stockpiles south of our resident at this address.

9. There is evidence water spray onto Coal will not suppress Dust from the stockpiles with wind and machinery working on stockpiles.

10. Bushells Ridge Rd being the Boundary between two local government area, and having 30 residential dwellings along this road, 18 of which are in Lake Macquarie Local Government area, Hue Hue Road with 20 dwelling all in Lake Macquarie Local Government area all in a northerly direction from Wallarah 2 Stockpile.

11. The only domestic water available to these residents in this area is rain water collected into water tanks from the roof of our Houses.

12. Dwellings that do not Exist in Wallarah 2 EIS.

13. If this domestic tank water is contaminated Who is responsible for the Replacement of potable water for residents? Replacement of dam water for the stock to drink.

14. Who Pays for the replacement of the domestic water?

15. What water do we use while we are waiting for Independent Scientific Laboratory analysis results on all water?

16. Water is a Basic Human Right, we must have clean domestic water free from contamination also dam water for stock usage.

17. Then will come the arguments and prove where the contaminates are from and the mining Company’s Legal Team.

18. Who pays the cost of cleaning inside the Rain water tanks used for domestic water our only supply of water?

19. We contacted a mine representative and we were told we would not be affected by this Mine Project. This statement lacks creditability.

20. Bushells Ridge Road being the boundary between two local government areas of Lake Macquarie City Council area and Wyong Shire Council area with Lake Macquarie City Council being a constituent of Hunter District Water Authority will not supply residents in the Central Coast Water Authority area, with water.

21. With the Central Coast local council carrying out the supply of water to central coast residents. The central coast water authority will not supply residents with water in the Hunter District water authority area.

22. The Hunter Water Authority will not supply water to us this is to far out along Bushells Ridge Road in a Rural area.
23. I have worked in a Number of Coal fired Power stations, Wangi Wangi power station, Munmorah, Vales Point & Eraring Power Stations in total 37 years as a Maintenance fitter for many years carrying out maintenance on Coal handling plant. I have worked on all plant associated with Coal Handling on stockpiles and inside coal fired power stations, therefore I am very familiar with the pollution from coal stacks, stockpiles Coal plants reclaiming and the hazards.

24. Fire in Coal Stockpiles

Stockpiles of coal have a capability to catch on Fire through spontaneous combustion when rain on water and oxygen combine in coal stockpiles. The fumes from the burning coal in a stockpile is deadly and dangerous gas pollutant. These fires are also dangerous to surrounding bushland. Bushfires along the side of the M1 motorway could cause closure of motorway. It is impossible to prevent fires from spontaneous combustion in coal stockpiles in open areas in my opinion.

25. Closure of Tooheys Road cannot be allowed as this road is an emergency escape route for residents of Bushels Ridge Rd in the past. Also in recent times as a route around motor accidents on the Link road to Doyalson the accident at the intersection of Blue Haven Way and the motorway Link Road, traffic was directed to use Tooheys Road to Bushells Ridge road as a detour for traffic to Newcastle and surrounding areas. Apart from this Tooheys Road is used by residents to access Wyong hospital at the Pacific Highway Kanwal, Waratah Medical Services at Kanwal the Motorway Link Rd, Lakehaven Shopping Centre, Northlakes shopping centre, Aldi shop at Blue Haven Budgewoi Toukley and The Entrance business centres Doyalson Garages and all Motor repairers as well as all business at Charmhaven industrial estate.

26. The water catchment area in the Wyong valleys. It is well documented by the highly regarded Professor Pell, professor of hydrology that the aquifers will be destroyed depleting the water for the Central Coast for 300,000 people any risk of damage to this unique catchment area is unacceptable.

27. This water is a Human Right to all us residents covering this area.

28. We all know that conditions and restraints placed on this type of industry is meaningless, Mines, Power Stations, Smelters all violate the conditions of operation or the license requirements set down with no consequences.
29. We have been through this disasters of contaminated tank water before and it is totally devastating and we do not what to have this stress and strain on us as before so we have first hand experience on this issue with tank water that was polluted by a government body.

30. For these reasons this Wallarah Coal Project must Not be allowed to progress or develop to another stage and should be rejected in totality on the evidence we have supplied to you.

Yours faithfully

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Wallarah 2 Coal Mine
Proximity to Cross Residence.