Dear Commissioner,

I wish to register my enthusiastic support for the Wallarah 2 Coal Project.

I am familiar with this project and believe it to be technically sound as it is based on possibly the most rigorous investigative program ever undertaken by the coal mining industry. It offers significant socio-economic benefits to the Shire and the State, and must not fall foul of political expediency and grandstanding.

The benefits of this project are far-reaching, not just to the economy but also to the community as seen by Wyong Coal’s agreement with the Guringai Tribal Link Aboriginal Corporation to support business development, university scholarships, indigenous apprenticeships, a Green Team Support Scheme, and a guaranteed minimum indigenous employment target of 10% at the Wallarah 2 operation.

This is a project to be proud of in so many ways.

John Edwards