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Dust from the Wallarah 2 Coal Stockpile which is 300 metres South of our Residence across a open paddock . We reside at Bushells Ridge Rd Wyee in Lake Macquarie City Council Local Government area Not Wyong Shire Council L.G.A.

I worked in Coal fired Power Station for 34 years Wangi, Munmorah Eraring many year of that time in Coal Handling Plant Section of Power stations.

I have a letter from Anthony Roberts MP Planning Minister of NSW dated 11th May 2017, Reply on comments about the Project, particularly its possible dust impacts on residents water(which is tank water) and resultant health concerns.

The concerns were not addressed in the letter of reply. The World Health Organisation and the UN committee on Economic Social and Cultural Right Nov 2002 in the resolution 3rd safe point: the water required of each personal or domestic use must safe therefore free from Micro-organisms, chemical substances and radiological hazards that constitutes a threat to a person's health.

We the residents of Bushells Ridge Road rely on tank water collected from our roof of our house for all domestic water if dust or coal dust pollutes this water it is recommended the residents be given the opportunity to request mitigation to make the dust in our tank less severe. As a member of the public you can't negotiate with a Coal Company, ask the people of Bulga, Milbrodale, Moors Creek (white Haven Coal) Camerwell on trying to reason with mining company.

WE HAVE NO COAL DUST IN OUR TANK WATER NOW.

Water Spray on coal stockpiles doesn't stop coal dust the water particles attach to coal dust platelets and in suspension move with the wind as found at Eraring PS and residences of Mynuna, Eraring and Dora Creek.

It was documented on ABC Four Corners Program Adani on the 2nd October 2017 at 8:30pm, showing medical and scientific evidence the harm coal dust from coal stock piles cause to the health of surrounding residents, the covering of the stockpiles with tarps the dust was still detrimental to the health of these nearby people this is absolute proof coal dust kills residents in close proximity to coal stockpiles there is 12 residential houses with families living in within 500 metres of the proposed stockpile.

We have just gone through the driest period for 29 years and more of these type of events to come we are told how can this project be of a social benefit or have merit when it places the water catchment area under threat and the water supply of 330,000 people at jeopardy by allowing this project to proceed.

The department notes noise exceedance are predicted at only 3 residents WACJV are required to implement additional mitigation measures upon receiving written request from the owner There is at very least 8 residences with 400 metres from workings from day One that will be impacted . Mining Companies Will Not Talk or Cooperate with residents anywhere.

We are 300 metre from the coal stockpile in Lake Macquarie City Council LGA Lake Macquarie City Council residents are not recognized There is at least fifteen residents within 500 metres of this stockpile and the pit head at Tooheys Rd in both Central Coast Council local Government area and Lake Macquarie City Council local Government Area.

GOES ON TO The department supports the commission recommendations that WACJV should use where possible the best technologies to reduce the operational noise impacts of the proposed conveyor and rail infrastructure there has never been any meeting invitation to any meeting The only way we in Lake Macquarie City Council Area find out about meetings is by accident someone tells us.

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Tooheys Rd is a gravel council road more like a fire trail of only one car width in some sections .This track runs between Bushells Ridge Rd and the Freeway Link road.

Bushells Ridge Rd has the natural gas pipeline crossing it . The gas pipeline runs alongside Bushells Ridge Rd to supply gas to Caloungra Gas Power Station at Munmorah Power station site Bushells Ridge Rd is a Rural Road with a narrow tar carriage way this Road would need to be upgraded to cope with the additional traffic created by this project.

Tooheys Road is a very important to the residents of Bushells Ridge Rd as in the past years it has been used as emergency Evacuation exit route when evacuations were ordered because fires on Hue Hue Rd and Bushells Ridge Rd made it to dangerous to remain in houses. Also just recently a car accident which blocked the Link Rd made it necessary for all traffic to be directed to use Tooheys Rd as a detour around this accident . Tooheys Rd is used to travel to Blue Haven Shops Charmhaven Industrial Area Budgewoi shops Toukley and a short cut by locals to other areas Kanwal Wyong hospital and Medical centre etc. This Road cannot be closed at any time it must open for public safety in emergency's.

Enclosed please find reply to enquiry about coal dust in domestic water tanks from the Minister for Planning Anthony Roberts M.P the dust from Wallarah 2 coal project the coal stockpile 300 metres from our residents

Yours faithfully

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