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Presentation by Jeffery R Young, managing director of JR Mining Services in Support of Invincible-colliery-southern-extension-modification-07\_0127-mod-5

I would like to welcome the PAC representatives to our beautiful town of Lithgow, and for allowing me the opportunity to speak today.

My name is Jeff Young. I was born and bred in Lithgow. I am the owner of JR Mining Services - a group of contracting companies which has been operating in Lithgow for the past 13 years. I am a 4<sup>th</sup> generation miner and my children, nephews and nieces are 5<sup>th</sup> generation workers in this town. Like my father and my grandfather, I have set up my own business and employ local people.

I am speaking today to show my support of the Invincible extension, which I would like to see it go ahead. Not only for the employees, but the local companies that would supply Invincible with support which can generate employment for a further 4 persons for every direct mine employee.

Lithgow has always been a heavy industrial town and has looked after itself, its people and the surrounding areas.

If this project goes ahead it will give Lithgow a stronger working community to help eliminate unemployment which puts excess stress and financial debts on families due to no work.

This district has suffered job losses due to the closure of Angus Place Colliery and the Wallerawang Power Station with a reduction of jobs there and in the support industries. We need to support this application for Invincible as an important contributor to "keeping the dream alive".

I have seen many people travel a 5-hour journey for work to support their family, FIFO 7 days on 7 off, travelling for 2 days out of their days off to put food on the tables. This is not what I call a happy family environment!

We have had to send employees out of town on 5-6 hour trips each way for several days to earn a living. I would like to have these employees return to work at home where they are with their families and not travelling excessive hours. The more local work the less travelling risks and dangers our employees face.





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Lithgow has and can provide us with a good and safe district to live and raise our children in. We need to keep our employment here and promote industry.

Lithgow is part of a back bone for the Australian economy which creates employment for all our futures.

JR currently employs over one hundred local people directly, plus sub-contractors.

That is 100 plus families fed, housed, educated, clothed and play sport in this area. Over the past 13 years we have employed and trained over 400 people.

Our company has sponsored many sporting teams, events, persons in need, fund raisers, aged care facilities, and many others.

Lithgow area has produced Australian and World sporting champions in many fields, which have had local businesses and council support.

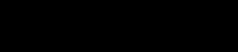
Where would we be without support of all the local businesses in Lithgow?

Lithgow is a proud town and all whom live here, love and look after it.

I have asked this before, to the many people who have put in submissions against this expansion, can I ask, how many times have you, or are you going to visit this town, are you dining tonight, staying overnight, having coffee or a beer here today, planning a holiday here, tomorrow, next week or whenever.

If you can't answer yes to these questions, why should you have a say in what industry and life style we have here.

Thank you for listening to me and have a safe trip home.



Jeff Young

Managing Director

