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To The Commissioners

I would like to submit my, support for the Castlereagh Coal, southern extension Project.

I live opposite the Invincible mine at Cullen Bullen. Our family has a agriculture, farming and grazing business. The farm is located between Portland and Cullen Bullen. It is close to Mt Piper Power Station.

I had the opportunity to start out, with an electrical apprenticeship at Wallerawang Power Station. Then being employed, there for 12 years. After completing my apprenticeship and achieving my Diploma in Electrical Engineering. I left Wallerawang Power Station in 2008 to a similar role in an open cut mine in Western Australia. Working for Rio Tinto to advance my skill set.

I would support Castlereagh Coal, southern Project. As I know how important it is, to keep the Mt Piper Power Station OPEN. There's no way solar alone, can provide base load for Heavy Industry. Only Coal fired Power stations can supply, base load for Heavy Industry. The Manildra Group can operate their new business and benefit from thermal coal produced locally and benefit from producing nut Coal as well.

The visual location of the Southern Extension Project is, in a sheltered and screened area from the town of Portland and Colleen Bullen. So sound and vibration should be at, a minimum to our location.

I have not noticed any difference in, the flora and fauna, except for the kangaroo's which have, had an increased in numbers this year & continue to thrive.

I support the Southern Extension Project, because of the stimulation it will provide for the town. Both socially and economically, especially for the local people.

I am pleased to see that young people, will have an opportunity for an apprenticeship, as it can set someone up for life. We need the jobs here, due to the closure of large industry, in the last 2 to 3 years and Castlereagh Coal will further commit to 35 fulltime jobs, is a big bonus and we are really happy as it will support family's, by putting food on the table and keep people from leaving our town, as sometime people have to seek job's a long distance away.

Manildra Group is a large Australian owned Company and I would support their group and their products. And their application for approval.

I would not support any conservation order, for this area as it would be locking out, any future industrial growth development opportunity's and this would stop local opportunity's for the next generation.

Therefore I give my full support to, Castlereagh Coal
Southern Extension Project and Manildra Group
development proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Kevin Taylor