

Correct Planning and Consultation for Mayfield group

We were established in 2010 to help represent the views of residents of Mayfield - an inner-city harbour side suburb of Newcastle; and also the views of many in neighbouring inner city harbour side suburbs of Newcastle.

We have several hundred members and supporters.

Submission concerning **United Wambo**

to

The NSW Independent Planning Commission

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Commissioners,

We oppose this application

United Wambo is sort of a new mine and sort of an expansion.

It's a joint venture of Peabody and Glencore, combining the existing open cut operation of Wambo mine with a new open cut at the old underground United colliery which has been shuttered for ten years or so (and is 5% owned by the CFMMEU).

According to the mine's EIS, the project would be responsible for 265 million tonnes of greenhouse gas pollution over its life, of which 259 million tonnes would come from burning the product coal overseas

A very reasonable condition of consent for United Wambo would be for the IPC to require Glencore to produce an Export Management Plan for the mine that demonstrates that the customers of the coal exported from United Wambo are parties to the Paris Agreement, or that they have policies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions that would otherwise be similar to those required of them if they were a party to the Paris Agreement.

We think it is very important for the IPC to make the Paris Agreement and global efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions part of the framework for this NSW coal mine approval process.

We oppose Glencore’s proposed United Wambo coal mine, and call on the NSW Independent Planning Commission to refuse the application

However importantly, if the IPC does approve this mine, we support the inclusion of the condition that would directly link the mine’s approval to the Paris Agreement, with the possible addition, for example, of review clauses to reflect the progressive architecture of the Paris Agreement – designed, as it is, to facilitate increasing ambition over time.

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