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Dear Commission,

I see no merit in finding new options for coal mining companies to expand their operations, but rather feel they held back from new investments and encouraged to transition away from fossil fuel activities for the greater good of society. Judge Preston's finding against the Rocky Hill mine was an important decision recognising that coal mining has a negative impact to our environment and society. Moody's analytics recently reported that even at just 2°C warming that the world is likely to suffer financially to the tune of AUD99 Trillion dollars in lost GDP. The US alone had US300 Billion in costs from extreme weather events in 2017. We have the RBA warning the government of the financial implications of not taking action to reduce emissions. We have the Australian Army even reporting last month that there will likely be massive immigration and population displacements due to climate change. There are countless reports and studies that show coal mining is costing society greatly in so many aspects of public health, GDP and the effects on ecosystem. I see these proposals as sneaky ways to try and bypass common sense which says that new or expansions of coal mining activities is not needed. We should not be encouraging coal mining by finding loopholes and new opportunities for them.

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