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Re: Maxwell Underground Project

Dear Commission

My name is Kim Lundy. I have lived in the Hunter region for 22 years. I moved to the Hunter to marry an underground coalminer.

I am writing to register my support for Malabar Resources' Maxwell Underground Project.

I support the Project because

- *My husband is employed at Malabar. In the current employment conditions and with the closure of so many underground coal mines my husband would be lucky to find another job. Without this job we would be under financial hardship.*
- *The Maxwell Project will generate approximately 250 jobs during construction and 350 jobs during operations. Malabar has also promised to provide training for local people so the skills to operate an underground mine can be developed within the local area.*
- *The Maxwell Project will boost our local economy and help local business owners. It will support local businesses throughout the construction phase and operation of the mine over 26 years. Long term projects, like this one, will mean local businesses can hire more people and keep young people in the region.*
- *People outside of coal communities do not realise the flow on effect of having a coal mine in the area benefits the local economy. Having a coal mine keeps all other business in the area open – this includes butchers, bakers, hairdressers, dress shops, beauticians, etc*
- *Having been in the underground coal industry for 30+ years they provide substantially less impact to the environment than open cut mines,*

These benefits will make a long-term, positive difference to my community.

Regards

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