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**The Commissioner  
NSW Independent Planning Commission**

Dear Sir or Madam,

I refer to the letter dated 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 from Marcus Ray, Group Deputy Secretary, Planning and Assessment. Addressed to Dr Jacqueline Tracey of your commission.

I would like to make the following observations that support my call to refuse the go ahead of the expansion of the Tahmoor South Coal Project.

First it is disturbing to note that Projects in Australia are being approved one at a time without regard to their cumulative impact, a new report by the Australia Institute says there are 23 new coal projects proposed in NSW.

The US Earth Day Climate Summit will put pressure on the Paris Targets as early as next week. This will lead to Australia being penalised in its international trade for not reducing its carbon emissions more and quicker.

As a resident of the Wingecarribee Shire, I am stunned, in this time of extreme weather events across the planet that originate from rapid global warming caused by human caused greenhouse gas emissions, new coal mines, such as the Tahmoor South Coal Expansion Project (SSD 8445) are even being considered given the fact that this mine will create an additional 20,549,599 tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent(CO<sub>2</sub>-e) over the life of the Project.

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