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Property Lot 1 DP 255170 and Lots 17 & 18 DP 979138
Property Name: Medway,
[REDACTED],
Sutton Forest

Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to make a submission on this new additional material regarding the Hume Coal Project and Berrima Rail Project.

Regarding the Berrima Rail project; we as a family who live on and frequently use the Old Hume Highway for school, business and general uses several times a day feel that we will be greatly impacted by the proposed two level crossings on Old Hume highway Berrima. Given that this narrow road is generally under reasonably heavy use already by heavy trucks and other commercial vehicles as well as passenger vehicles for access to and from Moss Vale and Berrima, we feel that adding two level crossings would greatly increase the safety risk of using the road.

Most importantly for me as a Farm operator, regarding the significant potential for disruption of the local aquifer, I feel that the "make good arrangement" coupled with the risk for permanent aquifer disruption is unacceptable. We rely very heavily on the water security that our bore provides to produce on our farm and without it would no longer be able to reliably do so into the future. A vague "Make good" agreement is a very poor substitute for the ongoing water security that I and other local farmers rely on for the viability of our operations. It is very short sighted indeed to believe that the economic merits of the proposed mine could outweigh the security of the already established local agricultural and tourist industry. If by the very real possibility our access to the aquifer via our bores is jeopardised we would see a very real loss in not only economic output of local agriculture but economic and social repercussions that would accompany it.

Yours faithfully,

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