



To whom it may concern,

You may wonder why someone living in the Yarra Valley in Victoria would make a submission to stop a Coal Fire Expansion in Mudgee. The reason is that I spent many of my adult years living in the Blue Mountains and travelling throughout western NSW. The region is breathtakingly beautiful and relies much on the agrarian lifestyle to support that once-pristine surrounding region.

I lived and breathed the toxic noise and air pollution from those coal trains trundling through the mountains, day and night. It was and always will be a blight on that world heritage environment, Lithgow being a perfect example of a dirty and depressing remnant of the ugly old days of coal.

A positive step into the future must necessarily surely take advantage of newer technologies and cleaner methods. Coal will never be clean energy. Solar is the most logical step for our Australian environment and better ways of harnessing the sun's power must be your first priority, if you take the future of your state and our country seriously.

I fully endorse the argument put forward in the attached document by

Sincerely,



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