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Please find attached the Minerals West Coast submission on the Canterbury Regional Air plan for your consideration.

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## SUBMISSION TO ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY

ON

## PROPOSED CANTERBURY AIR REGIONAL PLAN (APRIL 2015)

### Minerals West Coast

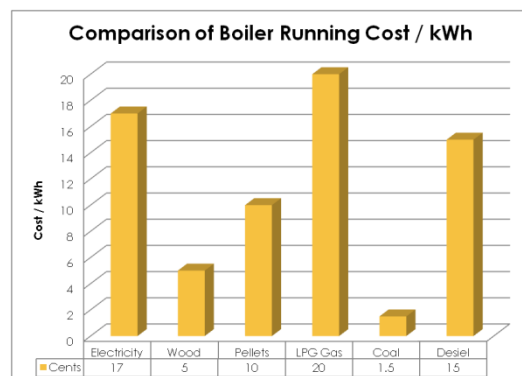
Minerals West Coast was established by the West Coast minerals industry back in 2005 represent their collective interests.

We have as an organisation contributed to, and support the submission developed by Straterra on the proposed Canterbury Air Regional Plan.

The production of coal on the West Coast for industrial use within New Zealand amounts to approximately 500,000 tons per year and supports around 500 jobs in the West Coast region.

Throughout our New Zealand history coal has been the energy source which has driven our industrial developments.

Even today coal is by far the cheapest source of energy and continues to drive and support industrial growth throughout New Zealand.



Data source: [www.theboilerhouse.co.nz](http://www.theboilerhouse.co.nz)

With the availability of abundant, affordable reserves, coal is able to provide secure and reliable supplies of affordable energy to the Canterbury industry.

Clean coal technologies have already achieved major advances in environmental performance, and new technologies are under development towards a 'zero emissions' future.

Technologies are continuously being developed to improve the efficiency of coal, meet environmental challenges, and increase the ways in which coal can be utilised.

Different technologies are being developed to suit different coal types, different environmental issues and different levels of economic development.

It is our view that the proposed Canterbury Air Regional Plan will discourage industrial developers and investors from considering coal as a source of cheap energy.

This will result in developers of energy intensive industries looking at locations other than Canterbury to establish their industrial developments.

Minerals West Coast would like to encourage ECan to set and establish clear and achievable emission standards to be achieved by industrial developers considering coal as their energy source.

Thank you for considering this submission.

Yours faithfully



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