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**Group ID: 542**

**Consent name:** Bathurst Coal Limited

**Consent number:** CRC184166, CRC200500, CRC201366, CRC201367, CRC201368, CRC203016, RC185622

**Name:** Graham Burnip

**Care of:**

**Mailing address 1:**

**Mailing address 2:**

**Suburb:**

**Town/City:**

**Post-code:**

**Country:**

**Mobile phone:**

**Work phone:**

**Home phone:**

**Email:**

**Contact by email:** Yes

**Is a trade competitor:** No

**Directly affected:** Yes

**Consent support/hearing details**

- CRC184166: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- CRC200500: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- CRC201366: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- CRC201367: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- CRC201368: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- CRC203016: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- RC185622: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing

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**Reasons comment:**

1. History suggests the company has already shown itself to be disrespectful of the local

environment and values due to non-compliance, and is therefore untrustworthy in relation to current and future operations. 2. The current operation already impacts on my enjoyment of the peaceful rural environment where I live by: a) noise of machinery at the mine especially noticeable at night under certain weather conditions and at weekends when there is less local activity b) light contamination - moving vehicle and spots (from Highway 77) and general glow on the skyline on cloudy nights. 3. Discharges to the land, air and water from mining activities contribute to on-going decline of the environment. While these impacts can be mitigated they cannot be eliminated during coal extraction. The extent to which impacts from Canterbury Coal Mine's activities have been mitigated is unclear to me, but they do not appear to have been adequately monitored. I consider it more likely than not, that the coal mining will already be reducing the overall ecological health of the Malvern Hills area where I live. I certainly do not want impacts to increase. 4. Our local roads are already worn and damaged by high volumes of heavy traffic, and repaired at the cost of tax payers while businesses continue to profit from their use. The wear and tear is such that the surfaces on Highway 77, although frequently repaired, rapidly degrade and frequently left bare, patched, rutted and particularly dangerous in the winter. The implied increase in heavy traffic volumes would exacerbate this situation. 5. Heavy traffic volumes, speed and noise through residential areas and lifestyle blocks and including past our school, playground and shop are already problematic. We contend with a high volume of milk-tankers and stock trucks day and night. Any increase in such activity would be unwelcome. 6. The applications are at odds with the wider national agenda to reduce consumption of fossil fuels and reduce greenhouse emissions. That consent might be provided to use coal, particularly such a low quality/ high emission coal, for the next 30 years is simply wrong, and an insult to future generations.

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**Consent comment:**

Decline following applications: CRC184166, CRC200500 CRC201366 CRC201367 CRC201368 CRC203016 and RC185622 Instruct Canterbury Coal Mine to cease operations until such time as they can demonstrate the existing operation meets existing codes of compliance