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To: [Hearings](#)
Subject: submission regarding expansion of Bathurst coalmine
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Dear ECan,

I wish to put in a submission objecting to the expansion of the Bathurst coalmine in the Malvern Hills near Darfield.. We should not be allowing more coal to be dug up and burned, as doing so adds to global warming. This is a mostly foreign owned company that has a poor environmental record having 27 infringement notices and has been prosecuted for polluting streams in the area, endangering native wildlife, particularly the endangered Canterbury mudfish (kowaro). Furthermore, they plan to destroy wetlands which we should be preserving as they are an increasingly rare habitat for native wildlife.

It would be better if the milk companies that use this coal, could find an alternative renewable source of energy to dry their milk powder instead of burning coal.

Yours Sincerely
Helen Hills