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To: <u>Hearings</u>
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**Subject:** Notifications Consent Submission: Group 542

**Date:** Monday, 18 May 2020 2:43:55 PM

Group ID: 542

Consent name: Bathurst Coal Limited

Consent number: CRC184166, CRC200500, CRC201366, CRC201367, CRC201368,

CRC203016, RC185622

Name: Arend Gert Kuiper

Care of: Arend Gert Kuiper

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Town/City:

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Country:

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Contact by email: No

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

## **Reasons comment:**

Many times over the last few years I have had to make complaints to the Selwyn District

Council about noise and also light emanating from the Bathurst mining site. It was said that they were entitled to operate on Existing Rights. It is true that mining has occurred on the Coalgate site, I am lead to believe since 1872. mining traditionally was conducted at very low levels, almost wheel barrow, pick and shovel, later a front end loader, digger and screen. Nothing like the huge operation that has been allowed to develop literally unimpeded by Environmental agents . As a Resident Rate payer for the last 18 years, I wish to defend my Existing Rights i.e. Rural / Residential. The right to sit on my front porch on a warm summers evening or lying in my bed on a cool clear winters night without having to listen to the Bang, Clang, Scrape, Thump, Rev, Engine Scream that has come from over the hill. Also the right to observe the night sky without constellations like Orion being obliterated by bright light. I have hoped that Bathurst would go away as a result of world wide opposition to coal mining, especially low grade lignite, but the madness continues. I am also of course, seriously concerned about the general effect this mine expansion will have on the local environment. The fact they want to rip out wetland areas and operating near Tara Stream. No doubt others will have a lot to say on this.

## **Consent comment:**

That Bathurst Mining are only allowed to continue as a 7am to 5pm operation so that any noise becomes ambient with the normal sounds of rural business. and at there is an end to it at the end of the day. Quote, Grays Elegy. written in a country churchyard. The curfew tolls the knell of parting day, The lowing herd wind slowly o'er the lea, The ploughman homeward plods his weary way, And leaves the world to darkness and to me. Now fades the glimmering landscape on the sight, And all the air a solemn stillness holds, Save where the beetle wheels his droning flight, And drowsy tinklings lull the distant folds.