

From:
To: [Hearings](#)
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Subject: Notifications Consent Submission: Group 542
Date: Monday, 18 May 2020 3:18:45 PM

Group ID: 542

Consent name: Bathurst Coal Limited

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

Name: Sally Latham

Care of:

Mailing address 1:

Mailing address 2:

Suburb:

Town/City:

Post-code:

Country:

Mobile phone:

Work phone:

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Email:

Contact by email: Yes

Is a trade competitor: No

Directly affected: No

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:

1. Continuing and extending the open cast coal mining as requested by Bathurst Coal Ltd

is not needed because there are alternative fuel sources, such as electricity, available. There is no need to continue to mine and burn coal, especially when doing so will continue to damage the environment, and indeed increase that damage. 2. The Selwyn District Council has stated that the “impact of noise, dust, pollution of local waterways, landscape effects and overall amenity values” will be “more than minor”. This is not acceptable, especially given that there is no real need for this mining operation to continue as stated in (1) above. 3. New Zealand’s Zero Carbon Act has a target of zero net carbon emissions by 2050, yet the timeframe for the requested consents exceeds this date by up to 5 years. Again, this is not acceptable. 4. Last year Environment Canterbury declared a climate emergency and committed to acting on that in all its decisions. I urge you to make this the time to act on that commitment. 5. I understand from your own website that Bathurst Coal Ltd has breached its existing consents for discharge into local waterways on several occasions thereby showing disregard for environmental degradation and posing a threat to biodiversity. Can this company be trusted to comply with any future conditions given its poor track record? After the number of breaches to date it should not be given any more opportunities.

Consent comment:

To decline all of the above consent applications.