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

Date: Monday, 18 May 2020 4:47:08 PM

Group ID: 542

Consent name: Bathurst Coal Limited

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

CRC203016, RC185622

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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: support | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- RC185622: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing

Reasons comment:

Coal is a harmful fossil fuel. Its use contributes to climate change and its mining

contributes to pollution of the environment and waterways. We shouldn't be allowing the coal industry to keep limping along when we all know that we need to cut our carbon emissions way, way back.

Consent comment:

Environment Canterbury and Selwyn district council should deny consents related to the expansion of the Canterbury Coal mine (CRC184166, CRC200500, CRC201367, CRC201368 and RC185622). The councils should recognise that expansion of coal mining in Canterbury represents a significant environmental hazard that conflicts with the purposes of the Resource Management Act. ECan and Selwyn should deny Bathurst Coal Limited retroactive consent for unconsented activities after the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan came into effect in late 2015. Such breaches of planning regulations should be penalised appropriately, not rewarded with retroactive authorisation and the granting of further consents. While expansion of mining operations should not be permitted, consent should be granted for activities related to the mitigation of existing impacts, namely to take water from artificial ponds for dust suppression (CRC201366) and to discharge lime and mussel shells (aspects of CRC203016). In fact these actions should be required as part of managing the harms caused by preexisting mining operations.