From:

To: <u>Hearings</u>
Cc: <u>Edwina White</u>

Subject: HPE CM: Notifications Consent Submission: Group 542

Date: Monday, 11 May 2020 11:07:07 PM

Group ID: 542

Consent name: Bathurst Coal Limited

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

CRC203016, RC185622

Name: Jen Olsen

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 | WANT to be heard | WILL consider a joint hearing
- CRC200500: oppose | WANT to be heard | WILL consider a joint hearing
- CRC201366: oppose | WANT to be heard | WILL consider a joint hearing
- CRC201367: oppose | WANT to be heard | WILL consider a joint hearing
- CRC201368: oppose | WANT to be heard | WILL consider a joint hearing
- CRC203016: oppose | WANT to be heard | WILL consider a joint hearing
- RC185622: oppose | WANT to be heard | WILL consider a joint hearing

Reasons comment:

I am opposed to the further development of coal mining in Aotearoa for a number of

reasons. I am aware that the RMA does not currently allow for 'climate impact' to be a factor in decision making but this is likely to change very soon, in order to come into line with the Zero Carbon Act, and I feel strongly that we should be acting now in the best interests of the health of our people and our land. ECAN have committed to acting on the climate and ecological emergency and I consider that the responsible decision will be to decline all consents relating to expansion of the coal industry. Aotearoa New Zealand has committed to a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions that is incompatible with the granting of the consents that have been requested by Bathurst Coal. 1. The use of coal must end if we are to keep our emissions with the limits of the Paris agreement and global warming to a level that will avoid catastrophic impact on our lives and our land. 2. Further, this coal is being used to support milk powder production, an industry that is unsustainable and damaging to our waterways, land and international reputation. 3. Bathurst have a history of breaches of their consents for discharge to local waterways and have already shown a disregard for the environment. I consider that this is likely to continue, with even greater opportunities for environmental damage if the new consents are granted. 4. There is a specific threat to the critically endangered Canterbury mudfish and potential harm to other native species whose habitats have been drastically reduced by activities that pollute waterways. 5. Other harm to the environment such as dust, noise, landscape changes and harm to local amenities has not been adequately addressed.

Consent comment:

Please decline all the requested consents. These consents are for activities that are in direct opposition to commitments made by ECAN and the NZ government to act on the climate emergency and to limit the production of greenhouse gases produced by the burning of fossil fuels.