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Group ID: 542

Consent name: Bathurst Coal Limited

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

Name: Donald Pettitt

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

Reasons comment:

NewZealand experiences significant disease resulting from poor air quality. The

production, transport, and use of coal all have significant health impacts resulting in early death for NZ people. Enabling the continuation of this behaviour via the proposed permits will result in significant public harm including early and ugly death in the form of heart disease, cancer, and asthma. Of particular note, the current pandemic has multiplied the health impact of coal on human health. There are numerous science based articles about the combination of the two in the American context leading to a significantly higher impact on human health. Covid-19 is expected to continue for the next 2 years, may become endemic, and may evolve to create new pandemics. It is not unreasonable to consider the possibility varying pandemics are a new reality to confront on an intermittent basis and enabling coal to continue in NZ reduces our resiliency at an economic/social/health level. I also have concerns about the increased/continued use of thermal plants (coal) in their consumption of water. While I feel less informed about the matter in this particular case, we will experience more pressure on our water tables and flows in the coming decade due to climate change. There are other ways to generate the required power that don't result in such harm. I respect that this is up to the business involved to come up with those better solutions but a "no" to these will not necessarily result in economic harm. We can do better and have to do better.

Consent comment:

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