DEAR SIR. AS SECRETARY OF THE MOUNTAIN DEVILS BUSHWALKING & SOCIAL CLUB I HAVE BEEN ASKED BY OUR MEMBERS TO WRITE TO YOU TO OBJECT IN THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE WAY TO THE COALPAC CONSOLIDATION PROJECT: APPLICATION No :10\_0178.

WE OBJECT TO THE PROPOSAL ON THE FOLLOWING GROUNDS.

- ONE. THE PROPOSAL IS UNACCEPTABLE TO US BECAUSE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND RECREATIONAL IMPACTS ON THE AREA BY MINING ACTIVITY.
- TWO. MINING ACTIVITY WILL DEVASTATE THE BEN BULLEN STATE FOREST AND COULD CAUSE IRREPAIRABLE DAMAGE TO THE ROCK FORMATIONS KNOWN AS THE PAGODAS. ALL THIS IN A POPULAR WALKING AREA FOR OUR MEMBERS.
- THREE. THE DESTRUCTION OF THE HABITATS OF NATIVE PLANTS, ANIMALS AND BIRDS THAT LIVE IN THE BEN BULLEN STATE FOREST.
- <u>FOUR</u>. THE EFFECT ON WATER TABLES AND QUALITY BY MINING ACTIVITY IN THIS PRISTINE AREA WOULD BE BEYOND REPAIR.
- <u>FIVE</u>. COALPAC COULD NEVER REPAIR THE DAMAGE THEY WOULD DO IF THEY WERE EVER ALLOWED TO START OPEN CUT MINING IN THIS UNIQUE AREA.
- <u>SIX</u>. ON A PERSONAL NOTE IT WOULD REMOVE A MUCH LOVED AND POPULAR WALKING AREA FOR THIS CLUB OF OVER FIFTY MEMBERS.

I PERSONALLY AND THIS CLUB HAVE NEVER MADE ANY POLITICAL DONATIONS TO ANY PARTY EVER.

SIGNED HARRY HARDY SECRETARY.

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