David Mooney Project Manager The Department of Planning and Infrastucture



Dear Mr Mooney,

I am writing to object to the Drayton South Coal Project Application Number: 11-0062. We already have too many coal mines in this area and need to think to the long term future. What will we be leaving to our grandchildren? a pock mared landscape.

I lived in Wollar for 20 years and finally had to move due to the effects of the mining on the community. I know how disturbing mining can be.

The new mining will increase greenhouse gases and add to noise and air pollution.

The new mining would destroy 1,928 hectars including 107 ha of critically endangered Box-gum Woodland, native grassesand 398 ha native forest woodland and shrubland.

Of course there will be effects on the water tables and the time for the landscape to recover, estimated at 1000 years.

I am 74 years of age and have fought many conservation battles. I am getting tired and hope that Government Departments are staffed by knowledgeable people not afraid to make the right decisions. Am I just dreaming?

Yours sincerely,

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