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The Director,
Strategic Assessments
Department of Planning
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Concept Plan Coal and Allied, Gwandalan , MP 0084 Gwandalan.

We believe this Concept Plan has been overtaken by the release of the Draft North Wyong Structure Plan.

The Coal and Allied Concept Plan relies on the land proposed for development being in the Lower Hunter Plan.

We have previously objected to this approach as Gwandalan is not in the Lower Hunter but the Central Coast. The only link that Gwandalan has with the Lower Hunter is that our phone numbers commence with "49". Gwandalan is within the Wyong Shire , the postcode is the same as Wyong, our local government services are supplied by Wyong Shire, our water is supplied and charged to us from the Wyong Shire as part of the Central Coast Water Authority, our sewage is treated by Wyong Shire , our garbage and recycling is within Wyong Shire. In short our only connection with the Hunter is the inclusion of our phones with an exchange located in Lake Macquarie City.

The North Wyong Structure Plan is the result of three years detailed study by the NSW Planning Department in conjunction with Wyong Council. The purpose of the study was to produce a framework for future development in the northern area of Wyong Shire (including Gwandalan) for the short, medium and long term. All relevant features of good development have been taken into account in the Plan.

In the North Wyong Structure Plan the Coal and Allied land is shown as being for future development in the long term, which could be 20 plus years. *The Plan specifies that the long term development sites should not be developed until all the short term and medium term land has been developed.*

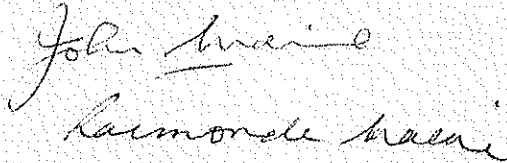
To approve any development on the Coal and Allied land at this time would be in absolute contradiction to the North Wyong Structure Plan. The validity of the North Wyong Structure Plan would be nil and all the work that has gone into the Plan to ensure planned and logical development will be lost.

We realize that the North Wyong Structure Plan is in Draft form and has not yet been ratified. We submit that any determination of the Coal and Allied Concept Plan should be deferred until the North Wyong Structure Plan is finalized and that Coal and Allied be notified by the NSW Planning Department that consideration of the Concept Plan will be deferred until the North Wyong Structure Plan is determined.

We request that the content in this submission be examined with care as the future of good development in Wyong Shire could be compromised by any approval of the Concept Plan.

Yours faithfully,

John and Raimonde Maine

Handwritten signatures of John and Raimonde Maine. The signature for John Maine is written in cursive and is positioned above the signature for Raimonde Maine, which is also in cursive.

Cc Mr Robert Coombs MP