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## **S**USTAINABILITY OF ENERGY SUPPLY AND RESOURCES IN **NSW**

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The coal mining industry supports jobs directly and many more indirectly. These Wages support regional and local families and businesses. Not everyone can work as a public servant and live in the cities.

Australian coal is better for the environment than most other coal produced and the plethora of new coal fired power stations currently being built and in the planning stages will need to use one or the other.

Cheap coal and the resultant electricity produced has helped billions of people to enjoy better health, education, longer life and better employment prospects. For the privileged people to deny the billions of underprivileged people cheap electricity is perpetuating their poverty and cementing our elitist position.