

**Submission
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SUSTAINABILITY OF ENERGY SUPPLY AND RESOURCES IN NSW

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I am a medical doctor and I'm deeply concerned about the health of communities living in the shadow of coal mines. These individuals are already paying a high cost in terms of respiratory disease and premature heart disease. Now there will be added an enormous mental health burden post-coal.

I support the Hunter Renewal Roadmap and its demands for:

- A community-driven process that builds on the Hunter region's strengths and has strong local participation embedded in the process.
- New well-paid and secure jobs for workers affected by mining downturns.
- A \$2 billion fund dedicated to coal mining regions to help us plan and prepare.
- A Hunter Diversification Taskforce led by locals from the community, unions and business to coordinate planning.
- A Hunter Regional Diversification Plan building on our strengths and bringing development of industry, labour-intensive projects and education, training and technology hubs.
- Better laws for rehabilitation of mines and power stations, boosting the jobs available now and into the future.

Yours sincerely,
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