

**Submission
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SUSTAINABILITY OF ENERGY SUPPLY AND RESOURCES IN NSW

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I am writing to express my views on future planning for energy supply in NSW.

I feel that here in NSW we need to transition away from fossil fuel energy sources that have been the main power sources for energy production both locally and overseas.

I live in the Mid Western Council Region of NSW where coal mining for thermal energy production is a significant player in the local economy.

As we have seen from overseas many economies are transitioning away from coal fired energy sources including some that are customers of Australian coal exports.

The local economy has become dependent on the revenue generated from coal mining and support industries. So much so that without planning or forethought from the NSW government a downturn of coal exports will seriously harm the local economy.

I feel that we in NSW have become too dependent on the one industry (ie mining for thermal coal) and should be utilising other energy producing sources like solar and wind farming.

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