## INQUIRY INTO CURRENT AND POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF GOLD, SILVER, LEAD AND ZINC MINING ON HUMAN HEALTH, LAND, AIR AND WATER QUALITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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I am aboriginal, born in Rylstone. My ancestors are King Jimmy and Queen Peggy Lambert. I am also part of the native tittle claim for our area. As infants Jimmy and Peggy survived the massacres here they had their family, their lands, stories, songs and dances taken away they even had the names their mothers gave them taken away. They were silenced. As we are being silenced now. As custodians and protectors it is our responsibility to make sure the we look after the lands, air and waters for those down stream and for our grandchildren. Our responsibilities and concerns have not been taken into account. There is no plan to protect the water there is no plan to rehabilitate the site there is no plan to control the dust. Look at Cadia mine. Look at Captains Flat a spill 90years ago is still impacting the the town. Look at Woodlawn mine, leeching is affecting Tarago town. This is what we risk here. We have a thriving tourism industry here we risk that. We have a strong farming community we risk that. We have a world renowned wine industry here we risk that. The risk are far to great for this project to proceed in any form