INQUIRY INTO 2024 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NET ZERO COMMISSION

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As a NSW voter and ratepayer I am very concerned that the NSW state government is not on target to meet any legislated emission targets.

I formally request that the NSW Government request the Net Zero Commission (NZC) prepare a specific and dedicated report on the risks that coal and gas expansions pose to NSW climate targets, to be completed by June 2025. This report should include advice on a coal sectoral target to drive emissions reduction in the coal sector.

In the meantime, approvals of all coal expansions and mines should be paused until such advice has been provided by the NZC and implemented by the state government.

The NZC should also be asked to provide specific advice and make recommendations on all proposed major coal mine expansions in NSW, as per s15 (3) of the NSW Climate Change (Net Zero Future) Act 2023 .

A Regulation should be created under the Climate Change (Net Zero Future) Act 2023 to place a duty on key planning decision-makers to meet the 2030 and 2035 climate change targets and restrict downstream emissions.