

**INQUIRY INTO 2024 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NET
ZERO COMMISSION**

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Dear committee

I am a retired engineer with an strong interest in keeping the planet habitable for my children and grandchildren. I would like to submit the following submission to this enquiry.

The NSW Government should require Net Zero Committee (NZC) to produce a specific, dedicated report on the risks that coal and gas expansions pose to NSW climate targets, to be completed by June 2025.

The report should include targets to drive rapid emissions reduction from the coal sector. In the meantime, approvals of new coal expansions should be stopped until such advice has been provided by the NZC.

The NZC should 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.

Yes - this is a plagiarized version of a submission suggested by the "Lock the Gate" movement, but it reflects exactly my thoughts on the matter.