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**INQUIRY INTO 2024 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NET  
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I wish to voice my strong objection to any expansion of coal mining activities in NSW. I believe the science is clear on the use and burning of fossil fuels like thermal coal. It is well known that burning of fossil fuels creates carbon emissions that are inexorably linked to human induced climate change. If the NSW Government allows the expansion of thermal coal mining either through new projects or modifications of existing mines then how will we meet our emissions reduction targets that Australia has signed to. Does this mean that other industries will have to dig deeper to find reductions in their own emissions to compensate for the increase of emissions from the thermal coal mining industry. We need to safeguard our future and get our emissions down to pre 2005 emissions levels if we are to have any hope of avoiding serious climate change consequences.