INQUIRY INTO 2024 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NET ZERO COMMISSION

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New South Wales cannot meet its greenhouse gas emissions targets if coal mine expansion projects continue to be approved. There are currently 21 projects being considered. Approvals of any of these projects must be delayed until the Government obtains a report from the Net Zero Future Committee specifically dedicated to examining the risk these projects pose to NSW climate targets.

As per Section 15(3) of the Climate Change Net Zero Future Act the Net Zero Commission must be consulted on any proposed coal mine expansion projects.

Consideration must be given to creating a Regulation under the CCNZF Act placing a duty on planning decision makers to meet future targets and to consider downstream emissions.

We have run out of time to act. The fossil fuel lobby must nor be allowed to continue to run the show.