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

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As a grandmother, I am deeply concerned that the our governments continue to approve expansions and new coal and gas projects when we have already blown our carbon budget and the impact of global warming is palpably affecting communities here and world wide daily.

The Net Zero Commission (NZC) needs to urgently provide the NSW government with a report to show the risks posed by any new coal or gas projects to NSW climate targets. These must include Scope 3 emissions once that coal or gas is exported. These cannot be ignored; greenhouse gases know no borders.

The NZC should provide specific advice on all proposed NSW coal mine expansions, as according to s15(3) of the NSW Climate Change (Net Zero Future) Act 2023. It is absolutely imperative that all approvals of coal or gas projects be halted until such advice by the NZC is provided.

It must be regulated under that Act that planning takes into account the obligation to meet the 2030 and 2035 climate change targets and ensure downstream emissions are counted, which would likely make any project culpable of global warming.

The NZC cannot be divorced from these coal and gas approvals without making a nonsense of its role. Please act in all our interests.