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It would be inappropriate to reverse the Commission's 2013 and 2014 decisions that had rejected open-cut mining in this 50 hectare area, as well as other areas of public forest. As an environmental scientist I strongly oppose this Department's recommendation to expand the open-cut area and continue coal production for eight years. This is not evidence based policy. As Commissioners' would appreciate, approval of this modification is likely to lead to incremental mine development, and the Department of Planning and Environment is opposed to a series of incremental increases in open-cut coal mining in the Ben Bullen State Forest.

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Yours sincerely,
Penelope Greenslade

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Yours sincerely,

Maureen Harris

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Adrian Baljeu

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Sarah Collins

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I feel that surely the time has come for people in positions of power to listen to the voices of the people. Who are speaking for our future generations, speaking for the future of our planet.

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Julia Kerr

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Yours sincerely,

Kiki Loch-Wilkinson

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I do object to this beautiful country being destroyed for short sighted short term profits.

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