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To: NSW Productivity Feedback

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I am writing in support of the IPC process. The NSW Minerals Councils wants to do away with the current process because of the outcomes of the Bylong and Rocky Hill IPCs were not ones they wanted. There are a number of points I would like to raise

- 1 The MC represents the mining industry, 80% of which is owned by foreign owned corporations which are interested in optimising their profits. The IPC process is the only forum for communities directly impacted have an opportunity to present their case. It should be noted that the vast majority of coal projects have been approved, no matter the impact on locals.
- 2 The IPC is a way of taking the decision out of the hands of politicians, and thereby reducing the possibility of corruption (eg Ian Mac Donald and Eddie Obeid). It is an attempt to weigh up all aspects of a project by informed independent experts who have heard all sides of the argument. Are developers in charge of planning in NSW? The proponent gets his way no matter the impact on the environment, other businesses or communities?

The Minerals Council should not be allowed to change the process by exerting political pressure, just because they did not like a couple of decisions where the independent commissioners ruled in favour of local opponents of bad developments

Sincerely,	_