

From: [REDACTED]
To: [NSW Productivity Feedback](#)
Subject: The Independent Planning Commission must be preserved!
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Dear Productivity Commissioner,

The NSW IPC was created precisely to prevent the undue influence of lobbyists, particularly of developer and mining interests, that have been such a disgusting feature of politics in NSW over the last few years. For the government to capitulate to the mining lobby to abolish the IPC because of their perfectly logical rejection of the Bylong mine is unconscionable.

If any demonstration of the damaging effects of climate change was required, the last few days have provided it. Longer, hotter, drier summers due to increasing entrapment of green house gases in the atmosphere, have been forecast by climate scientists for years. Now it is happening, and as predicted by Ross Garnaut – “your ain’t seen nothing yet”. Based on the widely accepted science, no more fossil fuel mines (coal, oil and gas) must be opened, those currently operating must be closed down. Those depending on employment from these destructive enterprises must be justly transitioned to renewable energy jobs, of which there will be countless numbers.

Abolishing the IPC and returning approval powers solely to the Planning Minister and Planning Department would significantly increases corruption risk, not to mention the threat to my grandchildren’s future! Yours sincerely,

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