

## **To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives**

This petition of supporters of the Caroon Coal Action Group (CCAG) draws to the attention of the House the impact of coal mining in Australia. In particular, that in the era of climate change, we must ensure mining does not destroy our environment, agricultural production, people's livelihoods, health and attachment to the land.

**We therefore ask the House to:**

- 1. Protect the Liverpool Plains area against detrimental impacts of coal mining in the region.** The Liverpool Plains area is the most productive agricultural land feeding into the Murray-Darling Basin;
- 2. Exclude all mining activity within a 1km zone of a water course.** Coal mining is proven to seriously degrade underground and above ground water supplies on which communities heavily rely.