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Dear Sir.

Re: Inquiry into FIFO/BIBO workforce practices in Australia

The Taroom District Development Association Inc requests that the following points be considered within the FIFO/BIBO inquiry

- Workers and their families must be given the opportunity to make living decisions as a family.
- Social and economic sustainability for small communities can only be achieved with a reasonable balance between residential housing and camp accommodation.
- Housing availability and affordability is a key requirement of any plan to provide workers with an option. Mining companies should be required to provide low cost family housing for at least 25% of their workforce within a 100km radius of the work site.
- A restructure to the Tax incentives for resource companies to offset the cost of housing
- Our regions small businesses need the support of the mining companies and the Governments so they can deliver the services our communities require.
- We object to any form of 100% FIFO/BIBO workforce which denies the
 workers and their families the ability to make choices for themselves. We see
 a need for a more sustainable balance between a transient and local workforce.
- We are concerned at the lack of long term commitment by the resources companies to rural and regional communities
- The social impact on families when one parent is away from home for extended periods.

Driver fatigue and road accidents

Should you require further information in relation to this matter please contact 07

Yours sincerely

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