



Statement of support for the ‘Shut It Down’ campaign

In circumstances where the Alcoa Anglesea brown coal mine and power station:

- Emits a toxic cocktail of pollutants, including particulates (recognised carcinogens), Sulphur Dioxide (a significant respiratory irritant), Arsenic, Lead and Mercury;
- Is the equal third highest emitter of Sulphur Dioxide in Australia [39,000,000 kg], with the only higher emitters (Bayswater in the Hunter Valley [63,000,000 kg] and Loy Yang in the Latrobe Valley [49,000,000 kg]) producing 17.6 and 14.7 times more electricity than Anglesea respectively;
- Is inappropriately located in close proximity to homes and a primary school in the National Estate Listed Anglesea Heath;
- No longer has a social licence to continue operating after the closure of the Alcoa Point Henry Smelter; which the facility was constructed to feed; and
- Produces dirty power that is not needed by an already heavily oversupplied National Electricity Market;

the following organisations support Surf Coast Air Action’s ongoing campaign to urge Alcoa to shut down the plant and rehabilitate the mine and to ask any potential purchasers or investors to publicly rule out interest in the plant or mine:

