

**Steve George  
Clerk to Petitions Committee  
Welsh Assembly Petitions Committee  
Welsh Assembly  
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**Re-United Valleys Action Group (UVAG) Views to Petitions Committee,  
With regards to Environment & Sustainability Committee reply on  
P-04-575 Call in on all Opencast Mining Applications over  
10 years Duration or 350 Hectares in Size.**

**Petitions Committee**

**UVAG are very disappointed with the reply from the Environment & Sustainability Committee, UVAG was hoping for a favourable response from them because it is fact that coal is not sustainable in the long term and therefore would support our petition.**

**UVAG would like the Petitions Committee to accept their earlier submissions to enable the petition to go to plenary, as stated in earlier submissions, the Wales planning bill actually supports our petition because they propose to take all energy planning applications including opencast mining away from local authorities.**

**Please find attached the earlier submissions from UVAG**

**Terry Evans  
Chair, United Valleys Action Group (UVAG)**