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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** Monday, 27 November 2023 11:14 AM  
**To:** DLO King  
**Cc:** s.22 ; Moore, Kym  
**Subject:** FW: TPS on Newcastle Mine Protest [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

Hi s.22 ,

Please find A/g GM cleared TPs below on the Newcastle Port Mine Protest – I apologise for the delay is getting it up to you.

Happy to help if there are any further questions or concerns.

Kind regards,

s.22

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Cleared with that one minor change.

Thank you!



-Kym

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Hi Kym,

Cleared by s.22 offline, please find TPs for your clearance below.

Happy to discuss if you have any questions or concerns.

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Thanks s.22 - I'll be on standby

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Hi Kym and s.22

I will start working on this now – can I please confirm you are both able to clear these points around 10:40 before providing to the office? I will go back to s.22 to confirm 11am, if so.

In my chat with s.22 I confirmed it is just an email with some points – not a whole QTB.

Kym – ICYMI, [here is the ABC article](#) on the protest they are asking for points on.

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## Record of Teams Messages

[20/09 13:11] s.22

<https://www.risingtide.org.au/blockade> Nov 24-27 this group are planning to blockade Newcastle port

People's Blockade — Rising Tide

[20/09 13:12] s.22

they are planning to do it on the water with kayaks...

[21/11 16:09] s.22

Newcastle port will be the scene of what organisers claim to be the largest peaceful civil disobedience protest for climate action in Australia's history over the weekend.

Rising Tide protesters are expected to blockade the largest coal port in the world, which is on Awabakal and Worimi land, for 30 hours from 10am on Saturday. They will demand an end to new coal projects and the introduction of a new fossil fuel tax on export profits.

[21/11 16:09] s.22



[21/11 16:10] s.22

30 hours??

[21/11 16:10] s.22

Rising Tide claims that Newcastle Port is responsible for 1% of global carbon emissions. The protest will prevent coal ships from leaving the port.

[21/11 16:10] s.22  
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30 hours??

I know....

[21/11 16:28] s.22

Hope everyone stays safe! 30 hours is a long time straddling a surfboard

[21/11 16:28] s.22

Very generous of you s.22

[21/11 16:29] s.22



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[Tuesday 15:31] s.22

Question on the newcastle protests! asked to the PM and given to Bowen to answer

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