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Environment and Community Manager
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03/10/2023

Subject: Approval of Blast Management Strategy for the Chain of Ponds Inn

Dear Mr deSomer

I refer to the revised Blast Management Strategy for the Chain of Ponds Inn which was submitted in accordance with condition 15A(e) of Schedule 3 of the development consent for the Liddell Coal Operations (DA305-11-01).

The Department has carefully reviewed the document and is satisfied that it meets the requirements of the relevant conditions of consent, noting the changes reflect the mine's transition into closure consistent with discussions between Liddell Coal Operations Pty Limited and the Department on 15 September 2023.

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I approve the revised Blast Management Strategy for the Chain of Ponds Inn (version 8, dated October 2023). In addition, the Planning Secretary agrees, in accordance with condition 12 of Schedule 2, that consultation with the parties listed in condition 15A(e) of Schedule 3 is not required given the administrative nature of the changes.

You are reminded that if there are any inconsistencies between the plan and the conditions of approval, the conditions prevail.

Please ensure you make the document publicly available on the project website at the earliest convenience.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact me on (02) 4908 6896.

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Planning Secretary