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Dear Ms Dobbins

**Wambo Coal Mine (DA 305-7-2003-i)
Water Management Plan**

I refer to the Wambo Water Management Plan (WMP), submitted in accordance with condition B66 of the approval for the Wambo Coal Mine (DA 305-7-2003-i). I understand that revisions to the WMP are required prior to Phase 2 of operations between the Wambo Coal Mine and United Wambo Joint Venture, which are scheduled to start on 1 December 2020.

I note that the WMP includes the following sub – plans:

- Site Water Balance;
- Salt Balance;
- Erosion and Sediment Control Plan;
- Surface Water Management Plan (including the North Wambo Creek Diversion Management Plan);
- Groundwater Management Plan; and
- Water Monitoring Plan.

The Department notes that the Site Water Balance, Salt Balance and Water Monitoring Program cover both the Wambo Coal Mine and United Wambo Joint Venture operations.

The Department has carefully reviewed the WMP and is satisfied that it adequately addresses the relevant requirements of the approval. Accordingly, the Planning Secretary has approved the WMP (Revision 2, November 2020) for Phase 2 of the operations. Please continue to operate in accordance with the previously approved WMP until Phase 2 commences.

Please also ensure that the approved plan is placed on the project website at the earliest convenience. If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Melanie Hollis on 8217 2043.

Yours sincerely



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as nominee of the Planning Secretary

