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Dear Matthew

**Mount Pleasant Coal Mine (DA 92/97 MOD 3)
Modification 3 – Environmental Assessment Review**

I refer to your email dated 19 June 2017 inviting the Division of Resources & Geoscience (the Division) to provide comment on the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Mount Pleasant Coal Mine – modification 3 (the Project) submitted by MACH Energy Australia Pty Ltd (the Proponent).

The Division has reviewed the adequacy of EA with regard to the *Mining Act 1992* (the Act) including economic benefits, resource recovery and utilisation of the Project (**attachment A**).

The Division notes the intent of the Modification is to develop improved final landform and develop a better aligned waste emplacement aligned to natural topography and requires further information to demonstrate the adequate management of environmental related risks (**attachment B**).

The Division notes the interactions with other mining operations identified within the Modification, in particular the Bengalla Mine (ref 2.16.1), which lists the requirement for rail spur relocation and future studies to identify and assess alternative options for the positioning of the transport loop. The Division views this as a separate requirement exclusive to this Modification.

Should you have any further questions in relation to this matter, please contact Adam Banister, Senior Advisor Royalties & Advisory Services on 02 4931 6439.

Yours sincerely

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Attachment A - Mount Pleasant Mine MOD 3 - Resource and Economic Assessment
Attachment B - Mount Pleasant Mine MOD 3 - Rehabilitation outcomes