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**Attention: Paul Freeman**

Dear Paul

**Donaldson Coal 75W modification to development consent  
Your ref. DA 98/01173 & DA 118/698/22 – MOD 2**

I refer to your letter dated 8 April 2011, in relation to the above modification of development consent for the Donaldson open cut mine project. I apologise for the delay in responding to your request in relation to the extension to consent for the mining project.

As no increase in mine footprint or depth of excavation is envisaged in the application to modify development consent, no anticipated changes to surface and ground water interaction is expected to the application. NOW has previously assessed the impacts of the mining operation on Four Mile Creek and Scotch Dairy Creeks, and has licensed Donaldson Coal to mitigate and remediate impacts which occur to those watercourses.

As no change is anticipated in relation to the mining configuration, NOW provides no specific comment on the extension to mining operations.

If you require any clarification of the above, please contact Fergus Hancock on (02) 4904 2532.

Yours sincerely

Per **Mark Mignanelli**  
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