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Via: Major Projects planning portal

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Dear Mr Rode

**CLARENCE COLLIERY AND CHARBON COLLIERY
EPA comment on Modification Report**

Thank you for the request for advice from Public Authority Consultation (PAE-9770465), requesting a review by the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) of the Modification Report prepared for the proposed modification of Clarence Colliery (DA 504-00) and Charbon Colliery (SSD 08_0211) consents to allow for the transfer of coarse coal reject (CCR) from Clarence to Charbon.

The EPA has reviewed the relevant sections and appendices of the Modification Report prepared by EMM Consulting Pty Limited and dated 1 September 2020. The EPA understands the proposal is for the transfer, via rail using existing infrastructure, of CCR from Clarence Colliery (REA 6 and Clarence's production stream) to Charbon Colliery to be used in rehabilitation activities. The EPA also understands the proposal includes the extension of the time, to align with the Airly Coal Mine consent, for the approved water transfer activities from Charbon to Airly via rail.

Based on the information provided, the EPA supports the proposal and has no further information requirements. Both Clarence and Charbon Collieries operate under Environment Protection Licences 726 and 528 respectively. No changes to either licence will be required should the proposal be approved with any potential environmental impacts of the proposal being manageable through the existing licence conditions.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr Andrew Helms at the Regional South (Bathurst) Office of the EPA on 6333 3805 or via e-mail at central.west@epa.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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