

Our ref: MP05_0117-PA-6

Mr Trent Cini
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Subject: Extension of Time Request for PA05_0117 Modification 15

Dear Mi Cini,

I refer to your request for an extension of time to retire biodiversity offset credits, in accordance with Conditions 35e and 35f of the above development consent.

I understand that substantial progress has been made to finalise a Biodiversity Stewardship Agreement (BSA) for the Gilgal property, however, additional time is required to execute and register the agreement.

I note that the Credit Supply Taskforce (CST) has advised that the BSA is likely to be finalised by 12 September 2023. I also note that Moolarben Coal are requesting additional time (to 31 December 2023) to allow for any further information requests and to retire the credits with the Biodiversity Conservation Fund.

The Department considers that one additional month on top of the CST schedule would be a reasonable amount of time to finalise the credit retirement. On this basis, the Secretary has granted an extension of time until 12 October 2023.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Anastassia Kouxenkov on 02 9228 6255.

Yours sincerely



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as nominee of the Secretary