

Mr David Ellwood
Director Narrabri Coal Operations Stage 3 Project
Whitehaven Coal

24/10/2023

Subject: Extension Request – Conditions 3 and 4 of Extraction Plan LW 203 Approval

Dear Mr Ellwood

I refer to your letter dated 16 October 2023 requesting an extension of time to provide a response to recommendations on Aboriginal heritage and to install additional monitoring bores (conditions 3 and 4 of the conditional approval of the extraction plan for longwall 203).

The Department considers an extension of time is justified, noting that you are awaiting feedback from the Narrabri Local Aboriginal Land Council on the proposed management of the Mayfield grinding groove and that you are seeking allowance for unforeseen scheduling delays in the installation of the monitoring bore, which is scheduled for early November.

Accordingly, I approve the extension of time to 30 November 2023.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Rose-Anne Hawkeswood on 9274 6324.

Yours sincerely



Stephen O'Donoghue
Director
Resource Assessments
As nominee of the Secretary