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Dear Mr Degotardi

**Metropolitan Coal (MP08\_0149)  
Temporary trucking of coal to Port Kembla Bluescope Steelworks**

I refer to your letter dated 12 April 2022 seeking the Planning Secretary's approval to truck product coal to Port Kembla Bluescope Steelworks until 13 May 2022.

The Department notes that this request is made in response to the closure of the Illawarra rail line for repairs following recent heavy rainfall, which has prevented product coal being delivered to the steelworks by rail.

Condition 19, Schedule 4 of MP 08\_0149, restricts the trucking of product coal to Port Kembla, however Condition 20 of Schedule 4, provides an exemption to this restriction during emergencies, such as the disruption of rail services, with the approval of the Planning Secretary.

The Department has carefully considered the information you provided in support of your request and notes:

- a maximum of 2,040 tonnes per day of product coal would be trucked to Port Kembla Bluescope Steelworks until 13 May 2022, with daily truck movements limited to a maximum of 60 laden trucks per day (120 truck movements);
- product coal trucking would be undertaken in accordance with the management measures currently described in the approved Traffic Management Plan;
- total offsite coal and coal reject truck volumes would remain within historical levels;
- product coal trucking would follow the existing route from the Metropolitan Major Surface Facilities Area through Helensburgh and onto the Princes Motorway; and
- Metropolitan Coal has committed to resume rail transport of product coal when the rail line reopens.

on the condition that the activity is undertaken in accordance with the parameters outlined above. Accordingly, I approve the temporary trucking of product coal to Port Kembla Bluescope Steelworks in accordance with Condition 20 of Schedule 4. Please note this approval does not permit haulage outside the hours detailed in Condition 19(a) of Schedule 4.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Gabrielle Allan on 02 9585 6078.

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Secretary