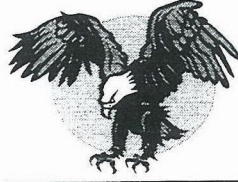


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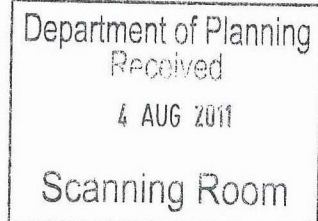
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**RE: Approval for Construction and Operation  
Of a Concrete Batching Plant.  
Application No: 080184 Mod-1**

To Whom it may concern,

*Michael Condon and myself being representatives of Mudgee Concrete met with Mr. Brian Pease in November, 2010. At that time Mr. Pease was Construction Manager for the Ulan West Project. We were informed by Mr. Pease the best option for Ulan was a concrete plant off site for varied reasons including, EPA restriction, interaction of concrete vehicles with mining vehicles, staffing issues and plant and machinery inspections – Overall reducing their workload.*

*Mudgee concrete proceeded to purchase a industrial block of land approximately 2klms from Ulan Open Cut Mine, after lodging a Development Application with Mid-Western Regional Council, which was approved in January, 2011. We constructed our concrete plant at a cost of approximately \$750,000 (including the cost of the land). This we did with the knowledge our Company would be considered for supply of concrete to any Ulan Projects.*

*Since construction of our plant we have been supplying concrete to both Ulan Underground and Open Cut and continuing supply at present. During this time we consider our service to*

*Ulan Coal of great benefit to the Mine with our Batch Plant being ideally situated for their convenience.*

*The approval of this Application would mean sever financial hardship for Mudgee Concrete, which is locally owned and operated and employs up to 10 local people both servicing Ulan and the local community. Many of our staff would have to become redundant as the work load would not be available to sustain their employment. Mudgee Concrete takes great pride in the fact we can offer jobs to local people in competition with the money being offered by Mining Companies and provide great job satisfaction.*

*Our position regarding this Application is we would be willing to negotiate either sale or a lease arrangement with Exrata Coal of our Concrete plant in an effort to ward off financial hardship and ensuring the possibility of our staff remaining employed.*

*Yours faithfully*



**Baz Lawry  
Manager.**