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Dear Miss Richards

**Mt Arthur Coal - Open Cut Extension (MP09_0062)
Independent Environmental Audit 2020 – submission extension request**

Reference is made to your request (MP09_0062-PA-79) for an extension of time to submit the Mt Arthur Coal Mine – Open Cut Extension, Independent Environmental Audit (IEA) 2020 report and Response to Audit Recommendations (RAR) as required under the Schedule 5, Condition 9 of MP09_0062 as modified (the approval).

The Department notes the due date for submission of the IEA 2020 and RAR (30 December 2020) falls within the Christmas and New Year's period, affecting staff availability to complete both documents.

In accordance with Schedule 5, Condition 9 of the approval, the Planning Secretary has granted an extension of time to 22 January 2021 to submit the IEA 2020 and RAR.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Joel Curran, Senior Compliance Officer on (02) 4904 2702.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Heidi Watters".

Heidi Watters
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As nominee of the Planning Secretary