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Dear Ms Giblett

WEST WALLSEND COLLIERY MODIFICATION 1 (MP 09_203 MOD 1) – LONGWALLS 51 AND 52

Reference is made to your email to the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) on 19 February 2014 requesting the EPA's comments and recommended conditions of approval regarding the above proposed development.

The EPA understands from the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) provided on the proponent's behalf that the proposal involves the establishment of Longwalls 51 and 52; however annual production will remain unchanged and there will be no changes to the existing surface infrastructure.

Given the scale and nature of the proposed development the EPA has not undertaken a detailed review of the EIS. The potential environmental impacts associated with the proposal under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* are regulated under the conditions of the existing Environment Protection Licence (No. 1360). The EPA has no further comments to offer.

If you require any further information regarding this matter please contact Hamish Rutherford on (02) 4908 6824.

Yours sincerely

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