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Dear Mr Dwyer

**Maules Creek Coal Mine (10_0138)
Appointment of Draft Final Void and Mine Closure Plan Experts**

I refer to your letter dated 24 September 2020 requesting the Planning Secretary's approval of suitably qualified persons to review the Draft Final Void and Mine Closure Plan (Draft FVMCP) for the Maules Creek Coal Mine (10_0138).

The Department has reviewed the nominations and information, in consultation with the Resources Regulator, and is satisfied that these experts are suitably qualified and experienced.

Accordingly, the Planning Secretary approves the following people for the roles nominated below:

- Dr Noel Merrick of HydroAlgorithmics Pty Ltd to review the relevant groundwater components of the Draft FVMCP; and
- Mr Tony Marszalek of Hydro Engineering & Consulting Pty Ltd to review the relevant surface water and drainage components of the Draft FVMCP.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Philip Nevill on (02) 8275 1036.

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Planning Secretary