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Dear Ms Kelly

Northparkes Extension (MP11_0060)
Extension of Temporary Transport Arrangements

I refer to your request (M11_0060-PA-1) to allow the arrangements for the temporary transport of copper concentrates to continue until 21 December 2020.

The Department notes that conditions 32A and 32B of Schedule 3 of the project approval allows concentrate to be hauled by road to the Parkes National Logistics Terminal for a period of 12 months, or until the Goonumbla rail siding re-opens, whichever occurs first.

The Department acknowledges that the 12-month period will end on 30 August 2020, and that further delays to the opening of the Goonumbla rail siding may occur following advice received from the ARTC. The Department also notes that Parkes Shire Council, Transport for NSW and the Environment Protection Authority do not object to the continued use of the alternative transport arrangement until 31 December 2020.

Accordingly, the Secretary approves the continued transport of copper concentrate to the Parkes National Logistics Terminal until 31 December 2020 or until the Goonumbla rail siding is re-opened, whichever occurs first.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Brittany Golding on 02 9995 5742 or by email at brittany.golding@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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