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Via email: Melissa.Anderson@planning.nsw.gov.au

Dear Melissa,

Newstan Mine Extension Project: Advice on EIS (SSD-10333) – EMIN21-00014

I refer to your request through the portal inviting Subsidence Advisory NSW (Subsidence Advisory) to provide comment on an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a future Newstan Mine Extension Project.

The EIS includes an assessment of subsidence impacts for future underground coal extraction under Eraring power station, Eraring power station ash dam and rail loop. The EIS does not include an extraction plan or detailed subsidence management plan for the power station and associated infrastructure.

It is recommended that prior to further advancing the project, that a more detailed extraction plan and associated subsidence management plan for Eraring power station and associated infrastructure is developed. It is also recommended that the extraction plan include an assessment of long-term pillar stability and an assessment of pillar bearing capacity and roof “punching” failure.

This extraction plan should be peer reviewed by a suitable industry recognised expert.

Please contact me on (02) 4908 4300 or at subsidedevelopment@customerservice.nsw.gov.au if you have any questions or wish to discuss.

Yours sincerely



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