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Subject: Ravensworth South – Landform Amendment (DA86-51-Mod-1)(Singleton Shire)

Dear Ms Clibborn

I refer to your request for advice sent on 15 June 2022 to the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) Water about the above matter.

The proponent is seeking to modify DA86/51 to enable changes to the operational management of Void 5 to achieve a safe and non-polluting landform which includes changes to ash emplacement methodology, removal of redundant pumping infrastructure and introduction of flexible options for the Void 5 final landform.

DPE Water recommends that post approval, the proponent should continue groundwater monitoring of the Ravensworth South Coal Mine monitoring bores to assess potential trends in water level and quality. This is because the groundwater model was built on limited monitoring data and the collection of additional data will help model verification and give greater confidence in predictions.

Please note that the licensing and approval function has now moved from NRAR to DPE Water. Should you have any further queries in relation to this submission please do not hesitate to contact DPE Water Assessments water.assessments@dpie.nsw.gov.au or to the following coordinating officer within DPE Water:

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Yours sincerely

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