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Dear Mr Scott

**Glendell Continued Operations Project (SSD-9349)
Request for Additional Information**

As you are aware the Department has engaged an independent expert (MineCraft Consulting Pty Ltd) to undertake a technical review of the mine plan options presented in the Glendell Continued Operations Project Environmental Impact Statement.

MineCraft has finalised its peer review and provided the *Review of Glendell Continued Operations Project Mine Plan and Mine Plan Options* (the mine plan review) attached to this letter.

The Department requests that you provide a response to the statements made throughout the mine plan review. In particular, the Department considers that a detailed response to the following conclusions is required:

- MineCraft has commented on recent fluctuations in coal prices, the 'break-even' point for the Glencore operations and has provided comparative net present value calculations for each mine plan option (see Section 5.9); and
- MineCraft has made a number of comments in relation to the potential to backfill the Mount Owen and Bayswater North voids, including a suggested approach to achieve this (see Section 14.5).

The Department requests that Glencore provide its response to the mine plan review by **Friday 27 November 2020**, or advise the Department in writing if additional time is required to respond to the review.

If you are unable to meet this timeframe, or have any further enquiries, please contact Joe Fittell on the details listed above.

Yours sincerely,



Matthew Sprott
Director
Resource Assessments (Coal & Quarries)

Attached: *Review of Glendell Continued Operations Project Mine Plan and Mine Plan Options* (MineCraft, 2020)

