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Attention: Clay Preshaw

**STATE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT - WALLARAH 2 COAL PROJECT (SSD 4974)
EXHIBITION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

Dear Mr Preshaw

I refer to your letter dated 22 April 2013 regarding the subject matter forwarded to Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) for comment.

RMS understands that the Wyong Areas Coal Joint Venture Group (WACJV) has submitted a Development Application for the Wallarah 2 Coal Project. RMS has been invited by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DP&I) to comment on the proposal including advice on recommended conditions of consent. It was noted that all coal removed from the mine would be transported by rail and subsequent traffic movements would primarily be generated by construction and subsequently operational activity, workforce, deliveries and service vehicles.

RMS Responsibilities and Obligations

Transport for NSW and RMS primary interests are in the road network, traffic and broader transport issues, particularly in relation to the efficiency and safety of the classified road system, the security of property assets and the integration of land use and transport. With regard to the subject proposal, RMS's main concerns are safety, access and traffic generating impacts on the classified road network and its intersections.

In accordance with the Roads Act 1993, RMS has powers in relation to road works, traffic control facilities, connections to roads and other works on the classified road network. RMS concurrence is required for works, structures, and disturbances to, in, on, under or over classified roads, under section 138 of the Act, with Council consent. Council is the roads authority for all roads in the area.

Additionally, RMS has powers under Section 104 of the Roads Act 1993 to direct the removal of any works deemed by to be a traffic hazard.

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RMS Response and Requirements

RMS has reviewed the information provided and has no objections to the proposed development, provided the following matters are addressed and included in the Minister's conditions of approval:

- The Traffic and Transport Impact Assessment has identified number of road deficiencies along the proposed access routes to/from the project site. It is recommended that WACJV undertake consultation with Council to develop an agreement to determine mitigation priorities and / or responsibilities and provide appropriate contribution towards addressing the relevant road safety deficiencies and ensure that adequate levels of safety are maintained during construction.
- Prior to any construction commencing, a Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) should be prepared in accordance with the Roads and Traffic Authority 2010, Traffic Control at work Sites as well as relevant Australian Standards including AS 1742.
- The CTMP plan should also be used to develop site-specific traffic management measures during each stage of construction once the construction methods and haulage routes are finalised. The CTMP should also outline procedures to audit implementation of the plan to ensure road safety aspects are observed.
- The project related traffic may potentially impact on the school bus operation and pedestrian safety on Jilliby Road in the vicinity of Jilliby Public School. It is recommended that the movement of heavy vehicles should be managed so as to minimise disruption to traffic during the before and after school periods.

General Advice

- The property has common boundaries with Pacific Motorway (former F3 Freeway) which is declared Freeway and Doyalson Motorway Link (MR 675) which is declared Controlled Access Road. Direct access across these common boundaries is restricted.
- RMS has no proposal that requires any part of the property.

Please contact me on (02) 49240688 if you require further advice.

Yours sincerely



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