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Dear Mr Evans

Re: Request for Heritage Council Environmental Impact Statement Review for Wallarah 2 Coal Project SSD 4974.

Reference is made to your email of 20 July 2016 seeking Heritage Council advice about the suitability of the review of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the above named project. The following documents were reviewed to provide comments on this application:

- Wallarah 2 Coal Project Response to Submissions dated September 2013 prepared by Hansen Bailey;
- Amendment to Development Application SSD-4974 Volume 1 by Hansen Bailey dated July 2016; and
- Wallarah 2 Coal Project EIS Appendix T Historic Heritage Assessment dated April 2013 prepared by Hansen Bailey
- Recommendations to the PAC - Wallarah 2 Coal Project Appendix E Agency Comments on Response to Submissions dated 2013.

The Heritage Division of the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH), as delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW, has reviewed the documentation and provides the following comments:

The revised application has not identified any additional historic heritage issues which required additional consideration as part of this amendment. The Heritage Division recommends the application of the previous advice provided to the Department of Planning and Environment in February 2013 for this project is still valid. This advice recommended **conditioning an Historic Heritage Management Plan (HHMP) for this project.**

The HHMP should include:

- stop works procedures for any unexpected archaeological relics/objects within the project land which were not identified and considered in the original EIS. This procedure should identify the input of an appropriately qualified heritage professional to identify and advise on management of the item by heritage significance should occur, where it will be impacted by the project. The HHMP should contain a map with all known and potential heritage items within the subject area. It should also include a summary of the proposed mitigation measures for the known impacted items.

If you have any queries, please contact Felicity Barry, Senior Archaeologist at the Heritage Division, Office of Environment and Heritage on (02) 9995 6914 or by email at Felicity.Barry@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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As Delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW