



John Trotter
Environment Manager
Shenhua Watermark Coal
368-370 Conadilly Street
Gunnedah, NSW, 2380

20/08/2020

Dear John

**Watermark Coal Mine (SSD-4975)
Conservation Bond Estimator**

I refer to your request (SSD-4975-PA-23) for the Planning Secretary's approval of suitably qualified persons to prepare the Conservation Bond Estimate for the Watermark Coal Mine (SSD-4975).

The Department has reviewed the nominations and information you have provided and is satisfied that the expert is suitably qualified and experienced. Consequently, I can advise that the Planning Secretary approves the appointment of Rod Williams to prepare the Conservation Bond estimate.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Wayne Jones on 6575 3406.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S O'Donoghue'.

Stephen O'Donoghue
Director
Resource Assessments

As nominee of the Planning Secretary