

our reference: SSD-5170-PA-87

Mr Craig White
Environmental Superintendent
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17/07/2023

Subject: Community Consultative Committee Member Appointment for the Bengalla Continuation Project (SSD-5170)

Dear Mr White,

I refer to your letter dated 6 January 2023, requesting approval to appoint De-Anne Douglas as a member of the Bengalla Continuation Project (SSD-5170) Community Consultative Committee (CCC). I also acknowledge your response to the Department's request for additional information dated 6 April 2023.

I wish to advise that the Secretary has formally appointed De-Anne Douglas, Chief Executive Officer of Wanaruah Local Aboriginal Land Council, as a community representative to the Bengalla CCC in accordance with condition 6 of Schedule 5 of the development consent for the Bengalla Continuation Project (SSD 5170) and the Department's *Community Consultative Committee Guidelines for State Significant Projects, 2016* (CCC Guidelines).

The Department notes that there is currently three Muswellbrook Shire Council (MSC) representatives and four company representatives listed on the Bengalla CCC. This exceeds the maximum number of council and company representatives as the Department's CCC Guidelines require one council representative and up to three Company representatives.

To ensure the Bengalla CCC is operating generally in accordance with the CCC Guidelines, you are reminded to ensure there is no more than one council representative and up to three company representatives attending the Bengalla CCC meetings at any given time.

If you wish to discuss this matter further, please contact Tegan Cole on 02 9895 6457 or via email at tegan.cole@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Secretary