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Dear Matthew,

Re: Mount Owen Continued Operations Project **SSD 5850**

The DSC has reviewed the Environmental Assessment Report (January 2015) for the Mount Owen Continued Operations Project provided on The Department of Plannings wesite at http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au/index.pl?action=view_job&job_id=5850 as requested in your email of 21/01/2015.

The project application area impacts the Mount Owen North and Mount Owen Notification Areas which surround the Mount Owen North Void Tailings Dam, and Mount Owen Rail Loop Tailings Dams respectively. The Mount Owen North Void Tailings Dam and Mount Owen Rail Loop Tailings Dam are prescribed dams of significant consequence category in the event of dam failure.

Current mining at the Ravensworth East Pit (Mt Owen West Pit) impacts the Mount Owen Notification Area and is regulated by the DSC under Mt Owen-1. Proposed mining undertaken as part of the Mt Owen Continuation Project within the Notification Areas will also need to be endorsed by the DSC and the Company will need to apply to the DSC to this end.

No complications in issuing endorsement to mine within the Notification Areas are foreseen and it is probable that conditions on mining will be similar to those set currently under Mt Owen-1.

If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me on 9842 8076.

Kind regards Heather

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