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RE: Request for further extension to the timeframe for first payment and finalisation of Planning Agreement with Singleton Council- SSD 6300. (Sch.2 Condition A17 and Appendix 8).

Dear Matthew,

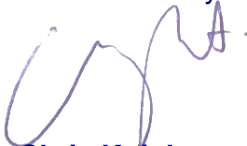
On 9 March 2020, Bloomfield Collieries requested an extension of time to make the first Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) payment to Singleton Shire Council (Council) as required under condition A17 and Appendix 8 of consent for the Rix's Creek South Continuation of Mining Project (SSD 6300). This extension was granted on 10 March 2020. Subsequent to this extension, Singleton Council adjusted their timeframe due to Covid-19 for completion of the VPA to 31 August 2020 and have further updated the timeframe to the end of September in an email dated 8 July 2020.

Please find attached the letter from Singleton Council dated 8 May 2020 and email dated 8 July from Mary-Anne Crawford.

In accordance with Schedule 2, Condition A17, and Appendix 8 of SSD 6300, Bloomfield Collieries requests an extension for the finalisation and payment of the Voluntary Planning Agreement with Singleton Shire Council to the 31 December 2020.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours sincerely



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From: Mary-Anne Crawford <mccrawford@singleton.nsw.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 8 July 2020 2:49 PM
To: Geoff Moore
Subject: RE: Council Briefing and VPA Update

Hi Geoff

Thanks for touching base. I hope you are well.

We have received (today) the legal review of the draft VPA back from our legal counsel. I am hoping that I will be able to forward this to you by the end of the week. Provided both parties are satisfied with its content and the content of the explanatory note, we should be fine to report to the August council meeting.

This means that the actual VPA would not be formally 'made' until the end of September. A payment could not be made until then. Again, I apologise for the delay in progressing this, and am happy to advise the Department of the situation if needed.

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From: Geoff Moore <gmoore@bloomcoll.com.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 8 July 2020 9:26 AM
To: Mary-Anne Crawford <mccrawford@singleton.nsw.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Council Briefing and VPA Update

Hi Mary-Anne

We are going to seek a further extension for the first VPA payment till the end of August as per your letter of 8 May. Could you please confirm if the end of August is still an achievable date for Council.

thanks



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From: Mary-Anne Crawford [<mailto:mccrawford@singleton.nsw.gov.au>]
Sent: Friday, 8 May 2020 3:05 PM
To: Geoff Moore <gmoore@bloomcoll.com.au>
Cc: Jodie Jeffery <jshellvey@singleton.nsw.gov.au>; Mark Ihlein <mihlein@singleton.nsw.gov.au>
Subject: Council Briefing and VPA Update

Hi Geoff

Hope you are doing well, seems pretty standard for me to send emails on a Friday – it is not my intent, it just seems to be the only time I get to myself these days....

Was wanting to confirm that you were all good for a presentation on Mod 9 to our councilors on the 25th May. It will likely be a zoom meeting, where you will be able to present and interact with councilors remotely. We will forward a meeting invite to you soon.

Please find attached a letter that outlines council's next steps in relation to the VPA, again I apologise for this taking so long, the covid-19 situation has required resources to be directed towards community support, delaying reporting to council.

Let me know if you wanted to discuss, have a great weekend.

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