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Dear Mr Moore

**Rix's Creek South (SSD 6300)
Commencement of Development and Mining Operations**

I refer to your correspondence of 10 February 2020, notifying the Department of the commencement of development and mining operations under condition A5 (a) and (b) of development consent SSD 6300. The Department notes that development and mining operations under the development consent are scheduled to commence on 24 February 2020.

I note the documentation provided to confirm that a meteorological station was operational at the site on 10 February 2020 in accordance with condition B28 of the development consent.

I also note your confirmation that there are no privately-owned groundwater bores predicted to have a drawdown of greater than two meters as a result of the development and therefore notification of land owners under condition B31 of the development consent is not required.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Melanie Hollis on 8217 2043.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Sprott'.

Matthew Sprott
A/Director
Resource Assessments (Coal & Quarries)

as nominee of the Planning Secretary