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**Subject: Approval of Biodiversity Management Plan**

Dear Ms McLaughlin

I refer to the revised Biodiversity Management Plan submitted in accordance with Condition B51 of Schedule 2 of the development consent for the Maxwell Underground Coal Mine Project (SSD 9526). I note the plan has also been prepared to address the relevant requirements of the development consent for the Drayton Rail Loop and Antiene Rail Spur (DA 106-04-00).

The Department has carefully reviewed the document and is satisfied that it meets the requirements of the relevant conditions in SSD 9526 and DA 106-04-00, noting the changes were mostly administrative in nature.

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I approve the revised Biodiversity Management Plan (version 4, dated November 2023).

You are reminded that if there are any inconsistencies between the Biodiversity Management Plan and the conditions of approval, the conditions prevail.

Please ensure you make the document publicly available on the project website at the earliest convenience.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact me on (02) 4908 8696.

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Planning Secretary