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Mining Projects NSW Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Attention: Mr Matthew Sprott

GOLDEN HIGHWAY (B84): PROPOSED SECTION 96 MODIFICATION TO WAMBO COAL MINE (MOD 14) – EXHIBITION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT– DA 305-7-2003 MOD 14

Dear Mr Sprott

I refer to your email dated 23 October 2014 regarding the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed Section 96 modification for the Wambo Coal Mine, forwarded to Roads and Maritime Services for comment.

Roads and Maritime understands that the proposed modification seeks approval for the addition of a longwall panel, adjoining the existing North Wambo Underground Mine, to allow the mining of identified coal reserves.

Roads and Maritime Responsibilities

Transport for NSW and Roads and Maritime's primary interests are in the road network, traffic and broader transport issues. In particular, the efficiency and safety of the classified road network, the security of property assets and the integration of land use and transport.

In accordance with the *Roads Act 1993*, Roads and Maritime has powers in relation to road works, traffic control facilities, connections to roads and other works on the classified road network. The Golden Highway (B84) is a classified (State) road. Roads and Maritime concurrence is required for connections to this road with Council consent, under Section 138 of the Act. Council is the roads authority for this road and all other public roads in the area.

Roads and Maritime Response and Requirements

Roads and Maritime has reviewed the information provided and has no objections to the proposed modification as it is noted that the modification will have no significant impact on the classified (State) road network.

On the Minister's determination of this matter, it would be appreciated if a copy of the Project Approval is forwarded to Roads and Maritime for record and / or action purposes.

Should you require further advice please contact me on (02) 4924 0688

Yours sincerely

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