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Megan Dawson Planning Officer, Resource Assessments Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39 Sydney, NSW 2001 Sent via email to: Megan Dawson, <u>Megan.Dawson@planning.nsw.gov.au</u>

Dear Ms Dawson

RE: Glendell Mine — Modification 3 (DA 80/952 MOD 3)

I refer to your email dated 29 August 2016 seeking comments on the modification application for the Glendell Mine, in the Singleton Local Government Area. The report entitled *132 Kv Powerline Relocation MOD 3 Environmental Assessment* is reviewed and as the delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW, I provide the following comments:

The proposed modification, MOD 3 to DA 80/952 seeks to facilitate the relocation of a section of the existing 132 kV powerline. The proposed realignment is entirely within the existing DA 80/952 project boundary but is outside of the approved disturbance boundary.

It is noted that no item of state heritage significance is in the proximity of the proposed realignment site. There are however items of local heritage significance within the project boundary (but outside the approved disturbance boundary) that were identified in *Historical Heritage Assessment for Modification of Glendell Mine* as part of the Glendell Environmental Assessment. None of these local items – except for two former homes (Hillview homestead sites) which no longer exist – will be affected by the proposed relocation works. The report does not discuss in detail the potential for any significant historic archaeology or relics that may be uncovered on the site given the early settlement in area evidenced by the presence of homesteads. Hence, although no objection is raised to the proposed modification, it is recommended that if significant relics were uncovered during the construction phase, the proposal should be modified to minimise harm to such relics.

If you have any questions regarding the above matter please contact Vibha Bhattarai Upadhyay, Heritage Assessment Officer, at the Heritage Division, Office of Environment and Heritage on 9873 8587 or at vibha.upadhyay@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

Rajeev Maini Acting Manager, Conservation Heritage Division Office of Environment & Heritage As Delegate of the NSW Heritage Council 09/09/2016