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## Attention : Department of Planning NSW

## Re – Joe Barrett/CNC Projects/Aboriginal Business/Employment Strategy

For the last 12 months I have been dealing specifically with Joe Barrett from CNC Projects, in regards to the Cobbora Coal Project. Joe has been very supportive in the creation of Indigenous enterprises that will be able to capitalize upon the opportunities in which he sees at the Cobbora Coal Project, through Cobbora Holdings.

I am aware that he has held numerous successful meetings, in which I have been a part of, with key Indigenous stakeholders within the Dubbo/Mudgee/Wellington and Dunedoo areas. He is a passionate facilitator, and has been able to motivate many indigenous people into gaining the necessary skills & qualifications through training, so as that they will be able to take up positions within the mine, within all areas of construction/operation and rehabilitation.

Through detailed consultation, Joe has now placed himself as a community leader, and is seen by many as a driving influence for the Cobbora Project within the Dubbo and surrounding areas. His common sense approach has been refreshing for the Indigenous communities in which he has engaged and he has placed there interests among the many that have to be considered with a project of this scale.

My company, is one such company that Joe has encouraged to become a provider of not only Indigenous labour and services but also having the ability to organically train our staff through our new training enterprise, TRAIN 365.

Our company has been successful in engaging Traditional Owners (TO's), through our unique model and this is also a successful part of the process in which Joe has undertaken. Through his detailed analysis of the project, and breaking this down for the Wiradjuri Elders and people, he has opened the communities eyes, both black and white, as to what can be achieved in this unique State owned project.

Joe has stressed that he has a target of Indigenous engagement for the Cobbora Project at all times and he has not deviated from this. A target that we will fully support, first for the Planning stages of the mine, through to construction, operation and rehabilitating the site back to its native state on completion.

Please, if you require any further information on Joe Barrett/CNC Projects and the process in which he has undertaken to engage a broad base of the indigenous businesses in the area /community members and the aims of the specific employment strategies he has forecasted to be implemented on the Cobbora Project, feel free to call me on the below numbers.

Regards

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