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Attention: Mr Carl Dumpleton

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Dear Mr Reed

## COALPAC EXPANSION MODIFICATIONS (DA-200-5-2003 MOD 2 and 07\_0127 MOD 4)

I refer to the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the modification of the Invincible Colliery and Cullen Valley Mine, received by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) on 3 March 2014, and the Department of Planning and Infrastructure's request for comment.

The EPA has reviewed the draft EA and considers that it has generally been prepared in accordance with the Director-General's requirements as provided by the EPA. The EPA is satisfied that the draft EA adequately assesses the potential impacts of the proposals on the existing environment with respect to air, noise and surface water quality.

The Invincible Colliery and Cullen Valley Mine currently operate under environment protection licences (EPL) 1095 and 10341 respectively. The EPA considers that the conditions stipulated within those licences are appropriate for the proposed modification of operations as described in the EA and no variation of EPL's 1095 and 10341 will be required.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter please contact Mr Andrew Helms at the EPA's Central West (Bathurst) Office by telephoning (02) 6332 7604.

Yours sincerely

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