

Ms Rebecca Newman

Department of Planning and Infrastructure

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Dear Rebecca

Port Hunter Conveyors is highly supportive of the timely delivery of vital infrastructure, Port Waratah Coal services T4 expansion to the Coal Loader at Kooragang.

We have been a stakeholder working for Port Waratah Coal Services for 28 years in supplying all aspects of Conveyor supply & maintained and environmental product and services.

PH Conveyors currently employ 111 employees and recently due to the down turn in the Coal Industry had to retrench 7 employees. This is an indication of the importance of the expansion and growth of facilities in the Newcastle region such as the T4 expansion project especially in project as the expansion to the Kooragang coal loader.

Port Waratah Coal services have gone to significant levels to address the concerns of the Environment and how the endangered species would be co-located into the correct environment for them to survive. PHC as a company are very supportive of the correct position being achieved in relation to supporting the environment and maintaining a balance for work opportunities and environmental concerns of the community which clearly Port Waratah Coal services have proven they will achieve this with the proposal on view to the public.

The NSW government must be reminded that the Coal Industry for Newcastle and the Hunter Valley is now the highest employer of labour for these regions with the closure over the years of the BHP, Smelters and all the stakeholders and other business which worked of these large employers.

We as a company are totally supportive to maintain the current work partnership with Port Waratah Coal Services and look forward for this work to continue for another 20 plus years in this area.

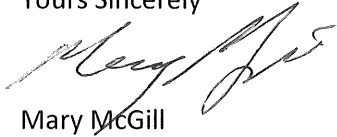
Both the NSW government and the Commonwealth government should be 100 percent totally committed to supporting this proposal both for future and continued employment in NSW and especially Newcastle and the Hunter Valley, and should be congratulating Port Waratah Coal Services on the pro-active stand on their innovative thinking about the future trends which will continue to grow in the coal Industry and there outstanding professional management of Health, safety, environment and employment at their facilities.

Port Hunter Conveyors as a contractor have been totally committed to continue to work with them on their sites with knowing that our employees are working in one of the safest work sites and putting employees first which Port Hunter Conveyors is also of the same mind set for its employees.

Port Hunter Conveyors also work for all the other employers In the Newcastle and Upper Hunter area supplying and delivering the coal to Port Waratah Coal Service so you need to understand the flow on effect that occurs when we do not move ahead with growth in infrastructure for the total industry.

Port Hunter Conveyors look forward to working with Port Waratah Coal Services during these times ahead to achieve support for this project to commence as soon as the industry is ready and look forward to being part of this driving ambition to achieve this goal in relation to the expansion of the T4 coal loader at Kooragang.

Yours Sincerely

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Mary McGill

Chief Executive Officer.

Port Hunter Conveyors.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carol Campbell', written in a cursive style.

Carol Campbell

Managing Director/Owner

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