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Dear Ms Timbrell

Sunnyside Coal Project (MP 06_0308 Mod 1)

I refer to your email dated 16 June 2015 regarding the Whitehaven Coal Limited application to modify the consent for its Sunnyside Mine to extend operations by 5 years to November 2020.

NSW Industry, Skills and Regional Development, Division of Resources & Energy (DRE) has reviewed the *Sunnyside Coal Mine Environmental Assessment* and has no objections to the proposed modification.

Should the project be approved the Proponent will be required to submit to DRE:

- A new Mining Operations Plan (MOP) which addresses the modified consent elements; and
- A Rehabilitation Cost Estimate (RCE) accompanying the new MOP application. The tool to prepare the RCE ('ESB26 Rehabilitation Cost Calculation Tool') is available on the DRE website at <http://www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/miners-and-explorers/rules-and-forms/pgf>.

Should you have any enquires regarding this matter please contact Julie Moloney, Principal Adviser, Industry Coordination on (02) 4931 6549.

Yours sincerely

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