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Dear Anthony

**Ulan Underground Coal Mine – Modification 4  
Review of Environmental Assessment including Economic Assessment**

I refer to your email dated 6 April 2018 inviting the Division of Resources & Geoscience (the Division) and the Resources Regulator to provide comments on the Ulan Underground Coal Mine – Modification 4 (the Project or Modification) request for review of Environmental Assessment (EA) submitted by Ulan Coal Mines Limited (the Proponent).

The Division has reviewed the adequacy of information supplied relation to the abovementioned Project and advises that there are no identified resource issues with the Project. An Economic Assessment detailing the economic benefits to the State is at Attachment A.

The Project is wholly within existing mining authorities Mining Lease 1468 (Act 1992) (ML 1468), Mining Lease 1554 (Act 1992) (ML 1554) and Mining Lease 1656 (Act 1992) (ML 1656). Surface infrastructure will be constructed on the surface of ML 1468, which does not embrace the surface, however, the Proponent considers the proposed activities are not 'designated ancillary mining activities' and do not require ancillary mining activities authorisation. No new mining leases are required for the Modification.

The Division notes that the nearby Liverpool Range Wind Farm (SSD 6696) was recently given project approval on 27 March 2018 and will have proximal, spatial interactions with this project. GSNSW recommends ongoing consultation be made between Ulan Coal Mine and Liverpool Range Wind Farm to ensure a safe coexistence.

The Resources Regulator's *Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements* (SEARs) for Rehabilitation have been adequately addressed in the Project EA.

The Resources Regulator has determined that sustainable rehabilitation outcomes can be achieved as a result of the Project and that any identified risks or opportunities can be effectively regulated through the conditions of mining authorities issued under the *Mining Act 1992*.

The Division and Resources Regulator require a review of the draft development consent conditions prior to finalisation and any granting of development consent.

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