



Our Ref: D16/2588

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Dear Mr Riley

RE: WILPINJONG EXTENSION PROJECT

The EIS for the Wilpinjong Extension Project has been reviewed and the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements have been met. The concern held by us is that the planned extension will be approximately two kilometres from the township of Wollar. Appendix B, Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Assessment covers monitoring and the Standards the Operation is expected to achieve.

The following are identified as areas of concern:

1. There is no mention of actions if the Standards of Operation are exceeded due to high dust events caused by extreme winds or failure in dust suppression.
2. Poor air quality has an impact on human health. To minimise this impact a plan needs to be in place to notifying both NSW Health and residents of Wollar when air quality exceeds the Standards the Operation.

Should you wish to discuss this please contact Ingo Steppat on 6809 8967 or by email at ingo.steppat@health.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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