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The Manager
Mining Projects
Department of Planning & Environment
GPO Box 39
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Attention: Mr Matthew Riley

Dear Mr Riley

SSD6764: Wilpinjong Extension Project; Exhibition of Environmental Impact Statement

Thank you for your email on 25 January 2016 referring SSD6764 to Roads and Maritime Services for comment. Reference is made to Roads and Maritime's previous submission in relation to this proposal dated 18 November 2014.

The submitted documentation has been reviewed and Roads and Maritime notes the following aspects of the extension project:

- Construction and operation of a new open cut pit.
- Realignment of Ulan-Wollar Road, changes to existing rail and road interfaces and additional mine vehicular accesses.
- Extension of mine life by seven years (2033).
- Continued coal production of 16 million tonnes per annum.

To assist the Department of Planning and Environment in its assessment of the proposal, Roads and Maritime provides the following recommendations for your consideration:

- The realignment of Ulan-Wollar Road including new rail level crossing and vehicular access to Wilpinjong Mine is to be designed and constructed to a standard commensurate with the existing speed zone and in accordance with *Austroads Guide to Road Design* and *Australian Standard 1742.7*. This includes Safe Intersection Sight Distance (SISD).
- The mine manager is to continue to liaise with mine managers at Ulan and Moolarben Coal Mines to ensure shift changes between the three mines are appropriately spaced apart so to minimise peak vehicular movements on the public road network used to access the three mines.
- Mine related traffic on the public road network at the same time as school bus operations is to be avoided. Where interaction between both road users is unavoidable, evidence of the need to

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operate during these times is to be provided to the Department of Planning and Environment prior to any approval being granted for a change in shift times.

Please forward a copy of the Department's determination of SSD6764 to Roads and Maritime at the same time it is sent to the applicant. If you would like to discuss the matter further, please contact Andrew McIntyre, Manager Land Use Assessment, on 02 6861 1453.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Susie Mackay', with a large, sweeping loop at the bottom.

Susie Mackay
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