

2 February, 2018

NSW Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Attention: Mr. Oliver Holm

Executive Director, Resource Assessments and Compliance

Dear Sir,

RE: MOUNT PLEASANT DEVELOPMENT CONSENT DA92/97 MODIFICATION 4.

Muswellbrook Chamber of Commerce & Industry supports the application by Mach Energy Australia for the above modification.

The Chamber is aware of the history of this DA and the changes to the developments ownership which has given rise to the need to review the coal load out and rail infrastructure.

The proposed modification is seen as an opportunity to -

- Contain infrastructure largely on freehold land.
- Resolve conflict between neighbouring mines.
- Remove the potential interruption to the Bengalla Mine operations.
- Instil confidence in the Muswellbrook business community that both Mount Pleasant and Bengalla Mines can continue to operate and provide substantial economic inputs into the local and State economies.
- Implement a solution which makes practical and economic sense.

The Chamber trusts that the range of environmental and cultural studies, which form part of the application, will satisfy the Department that Modification 4. can be approved with appropriate conditions of consent.

We look forward to the Departments favourable determination of this Application.

Yours sincerely,

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