

08 June 2017

Ms Megan Dawson  
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Dear Ms Dawson

**Austar Coal Mine – LWs B4-B7 Modification (DA 29/95 MOD 7)**

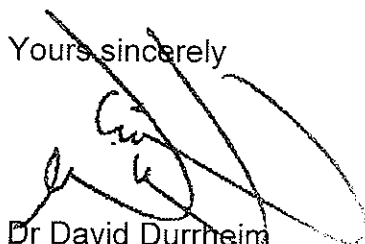
I refer to the Environmental Assessment (EA) exhibited on the NSW Department of Planning & Environment website in relation to the Austar Coal Modification 7 – Longwalls Extension.

The development is a modification to the DA 29/95 Bellbird South consent and will provide continuity of the mine following completion of LWB3. The underground coal mine is located approximately 10km south of Cessnock.

The EA has been reviewed by Hunter New England Population Health with particular attention paid to management of air quality, noise, water and other issues that may impact on public health. Due to the modification having no changes to surface facilities, operations, employment and production rates, Hunter New England Local Health District is satisfied with existing approval conditions.

If you require any further information please telephone Nichole Ansell, Environmental Health Officer on 4924 6477.

Yours sincerely



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