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Dear Iwan,

**Hillgrove Mines Modification 4 (DA 98/35 MOD 4)  
Environmental Assessment**

I refer to your email dated 2 February 2018 inviting the Division of Resources & Geoscience (the Division) to provide comments on the Hillgrove Mine project Modification 4 (the Project) Environmental Assessment submitted by Hillgrove Mines Pty Ltd (the Proponent).

The Division has reviewed the adequacy of information supplied in relation to the abovementioned Project and provides the following advice:

The Division considers that requirements for rehabilitation have been adequately addressed in the Environmental Assessment dated 11 January 2018 and have 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 of Resources and Geoscience has reviewed the current conditions of DA 98/35, specifically relevant to rehabilitation and has determined that they adequately address the requirements of the Division.

The modification does not propose any changes to any aspects of the approved mine or associated infrastructure therefore no biodiversity offsets have been proposed. The Division has no resource sterilisation or utilisation concerns in relation to the proposal.

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

Further enquiries regarding this matter please contact: Adam Banister, Acting Senior Advisory Officer (02) 4931 6439 or [industry.coordination@industry.nsw.gov.au](mailto:industry.coordination@industry.nsw.gov.au)

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'M. Gagan', with a stylized, cursive-like structure.

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**Manager Royalties & Advisory Services**  
16 February 2018