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Dear Mr Watt

## Airly Mine (DA 162/91 Mod 3) Proposed Modification

I refer to your email dated 18 June 2014 requesting advice from the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) in respect to the above matter.

## Comment by NSW Office of Water

The Office of Water has reviewed the documentation related to the proposed modification to the Airly Mine, DA162/91.

The modification for extension of mining operations for one year until 31 October 2015 will have no impact on water sources beyond those already approved under the existing consent.

However, the Office of Water notes that while the proponent references water access licence WAL36565, granted in February 2014, no application has been lodged with the Office of Water to nominate a work or group of works to take this water under this licence.

If the proponent intends to rely on WAL36565 to support this proposed modification, they must liaise with the Office of Water to understand the requirements for nominating works, and any impact assessment that may be required to support this nomination.

For further information please contact John Galea, Water Regulation Officer, [Parramatta Office], on 4729 8122 or at <a href="mailto:john.galea@water.nsw.gov.au">john.galea@water.nsw.gov.au</a>.

Yours sincerely

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