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ATTENTION:

Jessie Evans

Dear Jessie

RE: WALLARAH 2 COAL PROJECT (SSD4974) – AMENDMENT EXHIBITION

I would like to offer my support for the proposed Wallarah 2 Coal Project and the current amendments on exhibition.

Monteath & Powys have been involved in the Wallarah 2 Coal Project since 1996 and have seen first-hand their commitment to the community and environment. By realigning the proposed layout, Wallarah 2 have been able to remove the requirement for the proposed rail loop over land owned by the Aboriginal Land Council further reducing their impact on the surrounding area. This will be a benefit to both Wallarah 2 Coal Project and the Aboriginal Land Council who will now have no negative impacts upon their land.

This development comes at an opportune time for the entire region, with stories on a seemingly daily basis of job losses in the mining and engineering sector. This project will create up to 1,000 jobs during construction and employ up to 300 personnel during operation, as well as many more indirect employment opportunities. For these reasons I would like to extend my support to this project.

Yours faithfully

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