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To Whom it may concern

## Hume Coal Project & Berrima Rail Project – letter of support

Port Kembla Coal Terminal (PKCT) would like to advise that it supports the Hume Coal Project and Berrima Rail Project.

PKCT is a private company who provides coal loading services at the port of Port Kembla and services the southern and western NSW coal fields. PKCT would be the most likely provider of stockpiling and ship loading services to the Hume Coal Project via the Berrima Rail project, and thereby supports their export of coal. Job security is a key concern of employees and therefore the production of this project is of great value.

It is our understanding that the proposed Hume Coal Project and the Berrima Rail Project will enable the low impact extraction of coal and the efficient train delivery of coal from the mine to PKCT which is consistent with our Value of Care. Care for the community, Care for the environment, Care for our employees.

The PKCT planning approvals focus on public safety and minimisation of adverse impacts on the community, by safe and environmentally accountable operations. It is noted that the Hume Coal Project and Berrima Rail Project is aligned with the PKCT's planning and environmental approval requirements.

PKCT is currently an under-utilised asset which stands ready to accept the Hume Coal Project's coal. I therefore reiterate the Port Kembla Coal Terminal's support for the Hume Coal Project and Berrima Rail Project, to allow it to extract, process and transport coal will provide additional coal shipments through PKCT with increased certainty over the medium term resulting in employment benefits for PKCT and direct economic benefits for the Illawarra economy.

Yours sincerely

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