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Attention: Mr Anthony Ko

By email: anthony.ko@planning.nsw.gov.au

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Dear Mr Ko

AGL Macquarie- Bayswater Power Station Turbine Efficiency Upgrade (SSI 9234), EIS Exhibition – Comments from the Environment Protection Authority (EPA)

I refer to your email to the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) received 10 July 2018, seeking comments in on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), submitted by AGL Macquarie Pty Ltd for the Bayswater Power Station Turbine Efficiency Upgrade, located within the Muswellbrook Local Government Area.

The EPA understands that the proposal only relates to the mechanical efficiency upgrade of the four turbines at the premises and that all other approved operations in respect of the Bayswater Power Station remain unchanged. Given these factors, the EPA has no objection to the proposal as outlined and assessed. The EPA regulates environmental pollution matters regarding the Bayswater Power Station via Environment Protection Licence 779 (the Licence) which will remain unchanged if the proposal is approved.

Separate to this proposal, the EPA is undertaking further works in respect of improved performance, monitoring and reporting from all 5 coal fired power stations operating in NSW following the EPA's recent review of these coal fired power stations. The EPA's report following this review can be accessed here: https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/air/industrial-emissions.

If you require any further information regarding this matter please contact Genevieve Lorang on (02) 4908 6869 or by email to hunter.region@epa.nsw.gov.au

Yours Sincerely

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