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Dear Dr Aiken

RE: INTEGRA UNDERGROUND COAL PROJECT (MP 08-0101 MOD 5) AND INTEGRA OPEN CUT PROJECT (MP 08-0102 MOD 6)

I refer to your e-mail dated 18 February 2016 inviting the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) to comment on the proposed modifications to the Integra Underground Coal Project (MP 08-0101 MOD 5) and the Integra Open Cut project (MP 08-0101 MOD 6). OEH understands that the proposed modification involves the two mines being able to operate as separate operations in the future and for a minor variation in the boundary of the open cut project to include the previously excluded eastern wall of Tailings Dam 2.

OEH reviewed the Environmental Assessment prepared for this application and notes that the two proposed changes will not result in any changes to the disturbance footprint of the already approved operations. The proposed changes do not make any additional impacts on Aboriginal cultural heritage or threatened biodiversity, therefore OEH has no further comment to make on this proposal

If you require any further information regarding this matter please contact Robert Gibson, Regional Biodiversity Conservation Officer, on 4927 3154.

Yours sincerely

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