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Dear Genevieve

Rix's Creek Mod 9 & Rix's Creek North Mod 7 - Draft Conditions

I refer to your email dated 24 August 2017 inviting the Division of Resources & Geoscience (the Division) to provide comments on the Rix's Creek Mod 9 & Rix's Creek North Mod 7 - Draft Notice of Modifications for Project Approval (08_0102) and Development Consent (DA 49/94) (the Project) submitted by Bloomfield Collieries Pty Ltd (the Proponent).

The Division has assessed the Draft Conditions of Modification document and makes the following comment:

The Department has determined that sustainable rehabilitation outcomes can be achieved as a result of the project and that any identified risks or opportunities can be effectively regulated through the conditions of mining authorities issued under the *Mining Act 1992*.

The Department requests the following condition be amended within Modification 7 of Project Approval 08_0102 (Rix's Creek North):

'54. Within 12 months of the completion of the exploration drilling program, the Proponent must rehabilitate all areas disturbed by exploration drilling program, to the satisfaction of the DRG'.

Replaced with:

'54. Rehabilitation of all areas disturbed by the exploration drilling program is to be undertaken in accordance with an approved Mining Operations Plan / Rehabilitation Management Plan and to the satisfaction of the DRG.'

Should you have any enquires regarding this matter please contact: Adam Banister, Acting Senior Advisory Officer - Royalties & Advisory Services on (02) 4931 6439.

Yours sincerely ane V

Manager Royalties & Advisory Services 1 September 2017