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Our Ref: 9041467-7

Dear Mr Anderson

**Director-General's Requirements
West Cliff Colliery Coal Preparation Plant Reliability Project
Project Application Number: 08_0243**

The Department has received your application for the Coal Preparation Plant Reliability Project.

I have attached a copy of the Director-General's requirements for the project.

I would appreciate it if you would contact the Department at least two weeks before you propose to submit your Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project. This will enable the Department to determine the:

- applicable fee (see Division 1A, Part 15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000);
- consultation arrangements; and
- number of copies (hard-copy and CD-ROM) of the EA that will be required.

The Department is required to make all the relevant information associated with the project publicly available on its website. Consequently, I would appreciate it if you would ensure that all the documents you subsequently submit to the Department are in a suitable format for the web, and arrange for an electronic version of the EA to be hosted on a suitable website.

If you have any enquiries, please contact Alison Thomas on 9228 6339.

Yours sincerely

22.12.08

Chris Wilson
Executive Director
Major Project Assessment
As delegate for the Director-General

Director-General's Requirements

Section 75F of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*

Application Number	08_0243
Proposed Project	The West Cliff Coal Preparation Plant (CPP) Reliability Project.
Location	West Cliff Colliery approximately 3.8km south of Appin
Proponent	BHP Billiton Illawarra Coal Holdings Pty Ltd
Date of Issue	22 December 2008
General Requirements	<p>The Environmental Assessment of the project must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a detailed description of the project, including the need for the project; • a detailed assessment of the key issues specified below, which includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a description of the existing environment; - an assessment of the potential impacts of the project, taking into consideration any relevant policies, guidelines, and statutory provisions; and - a description of the measures that would be implemented to avoid, minimise, mitigate, rehabilitate/remediate, monitor and/or offset the potential impacts of the project; • a general assessment of any other potential impacts of the project; • a statement of commitments, outlining all the proposed environmental management and monitoring measures; • a conclusion justifying the proposal, taking into consideration whether it is consistent with the objects of the <i>Environmental Planning & assessment Act 1979</i>; and • a signed statement from the author of the Environmental Assessment, certifying that the information contained within the document is neither false nor misleading.
Key Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design – including plans and elevations for the extension to the southern end and western side of the existing CPP building. • Soil & Water – including the proposed erosion and sediment controls during construction, stormwater management once constructed and wastewater management during operation; • Air Quality – demonstrate that all reasonable and feasible measures have been incorporated to minimise dust impacts during construction and operation; • Noise – including any potential additional noise impacts during construction and operation; • Waste – including management of waste during construction and operation; and • Greenhouse Gas & Energy Use – including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a quantitative assessment of the greenhouse gas emissions of the project, and qualitative assessment of the potential impacts of these emissions on the environment; and - a detailed description of the measures that would be implemented on site to ensure that the project is energy efficient.
Consultation	During the preparation of the Environmental Assessment, you should consult with relevant local, State or Commonwealth Government authorities, service providers, community groups or affected landowners.
Deemed refusal period	30 days