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Attention: Paul Freeman

25 August 2015

Dear Ms Bellamy

I refer to your email received by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) on Thursday 13 August 2015 requesting comments and recommended conditions of approval for the 'Ben Bullen Creek Modification - Baal Bone Coal Project (09_0178)'.

The EPA has reviewed the Environmental Assessment (EA) prepared by Umwelt Australia Pty Limited on behalf of Wallerawang Collieries Pty Limited (the licensee) and also attended a meeting and site inspection of the existing alignment of Ben Bullen Creek on the 4 February 2015.

The EPA acknowledges the environmental benefit of retaining the existing alignment of Ben Bullen Creek as opposed to reinstating the former alignment, noting Section 6.1 of the EA which states that "no additional impact" will occur from works associated with retaining and rehabilitating the current alignment, e.g., no additional impact to noise and vibration and air and surface water quality.

As retaining the existing alignment will not result in any additional impact, the EPA has no specific comments or recommended conditions of approval other than that the proposed Ben Bullen Creek modification project must comply with the conditions of the existing Environment Protection Licence 765 for the premises.

Should you have any further enquiries in relation to this matter please contact Mr Allan Adams at the Central West (Bathurst) Office of the EPA by telephoning (02) 6332 7610.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Darryl Clift'.

DARRYL CLIFT
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