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Dear Sir,

**Re: Tarrawonga and Rocglen Coal Mines
Modification Applications (11_0047 MOD & 10_0015 MOD 1)**

I refer to the abovementioned applications.

In regard to the applications, Council would like to raise the following matters:

Road Maintenance Agreement

It is noted that the current Road Maintenance Agreement with Gunnedah Shire Council requires Whitehaven/TCPL to pay 95% of the road maintenance costs incurred by the Gunnedah Shire Council for Hoad Lane and Blue Vale Road. This percentage is based on the ROM output of 3.5Mtpa. With the ROM increase to 4.5Mtpa, Council requests that the contribution towards road maintenance costs increase to 98%.

Given the increase in the number of mining operations subject to the existing Road Maintenance Agreement, it is suggested that this existing agreement be separate from a Roads Maintenance Agreement that would be proposed for the Vickery Coal Project.

Truck Speed during School Bus Operations

The Environmental Assessment notes that "trucks travelling to and from the site do not exceed 40 kilometres per hour in the vicinity of the school bus operating on Hoad Lane" (Pg. 7). It is requested that this speed restriction also occurs along Blue Vale Road.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Council's Manager Development & Planning, Carolyn Hunt on 6740 2122.

Yours faithfully

Carolyn Hunt
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