

10 December 2020

NSW Department of Planning & Environment Major Projects Team GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Sir/Madam

Subject: SSD-5465-Mod-4

Chain Valley Colliery Modification 4

LAKE MACQUARIE NSW 2284

Lake Macquarie City Council provides the following correspondence in response to the Department of Planning's exhibition of the Chain Valley Mine Extension SSD-5465-Mod-4 (dated 3 December 2020).

Environmental

- The confirmation of negligible impact (<20mm) subsidence to sensitive environments, residences and assets on the Morisset Peninsula is noted positively.
- The predicted greenhouse gas emissions are noted.
- Where relevant, the suite of environmental management plans will be updated to include matters arising from the Northern Mining Area.

Social

• The inclusion of residents of the Morisset Peninsula to the consultative committee and in consultation generally is supported.

Financial

• The ongoing provision of employment in the local area is supported, as well as the local source of feedstock for the Vales Point power station.

Overall, the proposed modification is likely to have the same, similar or lesser impact to the City of Lake Macquarie and its residents, as well as the environment and water body of Lake Macquarie.

Lake Macquarie City Council supports the approval of this modification.

Should you require further information, please contact the undersigned on 4921 0025 or by e-mail on gkeech@lakemac.nsw.gov.au.

Yours faithfully

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