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EPA Advice on Response to Submissions

Dear Mr Nevill

Thank you for the request for advice from Public Authority Consultation (PAE-15418828), requesting a review by the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) of the Response to Submissions for the proposed surface modifications (Mod 16) and underground development (SSD 10367) at the Cowal Gold Mine at Lake Cowal 38 kilometres north east of West Wyalong.

The EPA has reviewed the following document and its Appendices:

Cowal Gold Operations Underground Development/Modification 16, Submissions Report -EMM Consulting – February 2021.

The EPA understands the proposal is for minor surface modifications and to establish infrastructure for underground mining in conjunction with the existing open cut method. The EPA has reviewed the Submission Report and has no further information requirements or proposed conditions of consent.

Based on the information provided the proposal will require a variation to Environment Protection Licence No 11912 (EPL) held by the applicant for activities at the mine.

If you have any questions about this matter please contact Jason Price by telephoning 02 6969 0700 or via email at riverina.farwest@epa.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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