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**Western Coal Services Project – SSD 5579 Modification 3**  
**EPA comment on Statement of Environmental Effects**

I refer to the email received on 23 July 2017 from the Department of Planning and Environment (the Department) requesting the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) provide comment on the environmental Assessment (EA) prepared for the modification application submitted by Centennial Coal for the Western Coal Services Project.

The EPA understands that the modification proposes to modify the SSD 5579 consent under Section 4.55(1A) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (EP&A Act) to:

- Enable the transfer of coal from the Lidsdale Rail Siding back to the Springvale Coal Services Site (SCSS) using the existing overland conveyor system that operates between the Lidsdale Rail Siding and the Springvale Coal Services Site; and
- Increase the volume of coal that can be received at the SCSS from other sources (other than the Springvale Mine and Angus Place Colliery) from 1 million tonnes per annum (Mtpa) to 1.5 Mtpa.

As requested, the EPA has considered the EA for the Proposal in terms of the potential impact to air quality, noise emissions, surface water and waste management.

The EPA notes that predicted noise levels from the proposed modification will be consistent with those previously assessed and approved by SSD 5579 at the locations surrounding the project application area. Having regard to the predications in the EA, the EPA intends to vary Environment Protection Licence (EPL 21229) for Western Coal Services to include all noise sensitive receptors and the associated noise limits for each as listed within SSD 5579.

Should you have any further enquiries in relation to this matter please contact Mr Matthew Prince at the Central West (Bathurst) Office of the EPA by telephoning (02) 6883 5354.

Yours sincerely

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