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Dear Philip

Project: Cadia Hill Tailings Completion Stage: Advice on Modification Report Development Application: MP06_0295-Mod-13

I refer to your correspondence dated 23 September 2019 inviting the Division of Resources & Geoscience (the Division) to provide comments on the *Cadia Hill Tailings Completion Project* (the Project) submitted by Cadia Holdings Pty Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Newcrest Mining Limited (the Proponent).

The relevant units internal to the Division have been consulted where required in generating this advice. Further, the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment - Planning & Assessment Division and the Proponent should be aware that matters pertaining to rehabilitation, environmental impacts of final landform design, subsidence, subsidence management, mine operator and safety are not assessed by the Division and advice should be sought from the Resources Regulator.

The Division has reviewed the information supplied in relation to the abovementioned Project and acknowledges that there are no proposed changes to the approved mining areas, ore processing rate, mine life or mining methods.

The Division has determined that should the project be approved, sustainable, efficient and optimised resource outcomes can be achieved as a result of the Project. Further, any identified risks or opportunities can be effectively regulated through the conditions of mining authorities issued under *the Mining Act 1992*.

For further enquiries and advice in relation to this matter, please contact the Assessment Coordination Unit on 02 4063 6534 or <u>assessment.coordination@planning.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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