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## MINING, EXPLORATION & GEOSCIENCE ADVICE RESPONSE

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Dear Joel

## Project: Rix's Creek North Mine Stage: Advice on Modification Report Development Application: SSD (MP08\_102-Mod9)

I refer to your correspondence dated 20 July 2020 inviting Regional NSW – Mining, Exploration & Geoscience (MEG) to provide advice on the Rix's Creek North Mine modification (Mod 9). This modification seeks to:

- increase the approved height of the overburden emplacement,
- increase the number of blast events from two per day to three per day; and
- undertake further exploration within Bloomfield's Rix Creek tenements.

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

MEG has reviewed the information supplied and notes there are no changes proposed to resource recovery and has no further comment to make at this time. MEG would appreciate the opportunity to review draft conditions of consent at the appropriate time.

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

Yours sincerely

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