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Dear Ms Clementine

PO 11_0060 MOD5: NORTH PARKES MINE EXTENSION PROJECT: TEMPORARY ALTERNATIVE TRUCK HAULAGE ROUTE

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Mod 5 - Temporary Haulage Route application for the Northparkes Mine.

Parkes Shire Council (PSC) and Northparkes Mine (NPM) have an existing Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) in place for the maintenance, upgrade and capital contribution of the local road network between the mine site and the Goonumbla Rail Siding.

PSC and NPM have reached an in-principle agreement to update the VPA to maintain the local road network the proposed haulage route, for the duration of activities. Any approval of Mod 5 should incorporate the requirement for the VPA updated and approved by all parties prior to commencement of haulage operations.

Council supports the proposal within the Statement of Environmental Effects to restrict haulage times outside school bus periods and it is recommended that this restriction continues to apply in the event approval is granted outside the initial 12 month period.

Should you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further please contact Council's Planning and Environment Department on (02) 6861 2373.

Yours faithfully

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