

Mr Craig White Bengalla Mining Company Pty Limited Bengalla Road Muswellbrook NSW 2333

28/09/2021

Dear Mr White

Bengalla Continuation Project (SSD 5170) Notification of Truck Disposal

I refer to your letter dated 27 August 2021 detailing the requirement to dispose of an overburden haul truck which was destroyed in a fire on 20 July 2021. I understand you are seeking confirmation regarding the proposed disposal method in accordance with condition 3 of Schedule 2 of SSD 5170.

I also understand that options for disposal are very limited given the lack of structural integrity within the remains of the truck, and the health and safety risks associated with trying to move it from its current location. As such you are proposing to dispose of the truck by burying it within the overburden emplacement. The Department understands this would not result in any breaches of your Environment Protection Licence.

The Department has carefully reviewed the Disposal Assessment and Contamination Assessment attached to your letter and supports the conclusions within these reports.

Consequently, in accordance with condition 3 of Schedule 2 of SSD 5170, the Secretary directs you to implement the proposed actions and management measures detailed in your letter.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Joe Fittell on (02) 4908 6896.

Yours sincerely

Stephen O'Donoghue

Director

Resource Assessments (Coal & Quarries)

As nominee of the Planning Secretary