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Dear Mr O'Donoghue

BYLONG COAL PROJECT – EPA RESPONSE TO REVISED MINE PLAN

I refer to the report *Bylong Coal Project Supplementary Information* (the Report) prepared for Kepco Australia which was received by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) on 16 July 2018.

The EPA has considered the Report having regard to the request from the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) to undertake a high-level review of the documentation. It is noted from the Report that Kepco Australia has revised the mine plan for the proposed Bylong Coal Project and the environmental impacts resulting from the revised mine plan will be generally equal to or less than those assessed previously.

Based on the review undertaken, the EPA considers the recommended conditions of consent provided previously to DPE remain relevant and appropriate. However, it should be noted the predicted noise levels have altered and DPE should take this into consideration when formalising the conditions of consent for the Bylong Coal Project.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Ms Sheridan Ledger at the Central West (Bathurst) office of the EPA by telephoning (02) 6332 7608 or email central.west@epa.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sandra Jones', written over a horizontal line.

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