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Dear Mr Rode

**Tahmoor South Coal Project – Second Amendment Report - (SSD\_8445)**

The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) refers to your email of 4 August 2020 requesting comments on the Second Amendment Report for the Tahmoor South Project. Tahmoor Coal Ltd (Tahmoor) is seeking project approval under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act) to expand its underground coal mining operations in the Bargo area. Tahmoor Coal holds Environment Protection Licence number 1389 for Tahmoor Colliery.

The EPA has provided comments on the project's EIS, Response to Submissions and first Project Amendment Report.

The Second Amendment Report amends the project by:

- "removal of two additional longwalls, LW107B and LW108B (to reduce subsidence impacts at the township of Bargo);
- containment of the Rejects Emplacement Area (REA) on its approved disturbance footprint to reduce biodiversity impacts; and
- amendments to the construction layout of the two proposed ventilation shafts (TSC1 and TSC2) and associated transmission lines, to reduce biodiversity impacts."

The proposed changes do not substantially alter the impacts already considered by the EPA in relation to air, noise, water emissions and waste generation. Consequently, the EPA has no comments to make on the Amendment Report.

If you have questions regarding the above, please phone Andrew Couldridge on (02) 4224 4100.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Greg Newman'.

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