



14 May 2010

Mr Howard Reed  
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Department of Planning  
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cc. Mr Greg Tarrant, Technical Services Manager, Metropolitan Coal

Dear Sir

**Project Approval – Metropolitan Coal Project (08-0149) dated 22 June 2009  
Rehabilitation Management Plan**

I refer to the *Metropolitan Mine Rehabilitation Management Plan* submitted to Industry & Investment NSW in March 2010 for consideration pursuant to Condition 4 of Schedule 6 in the Project Approval for the Metropolitan Coal Project (08\_0149), dated 22 June 2009 (Project Approval).

Technical staff from Industry & Investment NSW have reviewed the Rehabilitation Management Plan and provided comments to the proponent by way of a letter dated 21 April 2010.

Pursuant to Condition 4 of Schedule 6 of the Project Approval, the Rehabilitation Management Plan is approved. The comments set out in the letter of 21 April 2010 must be addressed to the satisfaction of I&I NSW prior to 31 October 2010.

Please contact Mr Robert Larkings on 02 4931 6526 should you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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**Under delegation from the Director-General**