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File No: 13/79

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Dear Tony

**Approval of Environmental Management Plan
Condition 13 of Abel Mine Area 3 SMP Approval**

Pursuant to condition 13 of the Director General's Approval of the Subsidence Management Plan for Abel Mine Area 3 (File No: 13/79, dated 16 July 2013) I approve the Environmental Management Plan that is comprised of the strategy, sub-plans and programs as follows:

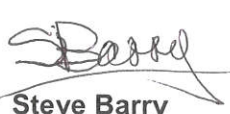
- i. *Donaldson Coal Pty Limited, Abel Mine, Subsidence Management Plan, SMP Area 3, Environmental Management Plan, March 2013;*
- ii. *Abel Underground Mine: Aboriginal Heritage Management Plan, Final Version 1.0, Donaldson Coal Pty Limited, 16 November 2007;*
- iii. *Donaldson Coal, Abel Coal Project, Water Management Plan, March 2008, (Reference: 20080314 Abel WMP Part A.doc, Revision A, 14/3/2008); and*
- iv. *Donaldson Coal, Abel Underground Coal (Integrated with Donaldson Open Cut, Tasman Underground and Bloomfield Open Cut Coal Mines), Integrated Environmental Monitoring Program, Final December 2007*

Subject to the following conditions:

1. All environmental risk management measures and procedures as detailed in the Environmental Management Plan must be implemented to the satisfaction of the Director Environmental Sustainability;
2. Any significant variation to the Environmental Management Plan must be approved by the Director Environmental Sustainability prior to commencing the variation;
3. Remediation works shall be conducted to the satisfaction of the Director Environmental Sustainability; and
4. All remediation works and associated monitoring be documented and reported in the Abel Mine Annual Environmental Management Report to the satisfaction of the Director Environmental Sustainability.

If you have any further inquiries do not hesitate to contact Mr Paul Langley, Subsidence Executive Officer on 02 4931 6448.

Yours sincerely



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