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Subject: Response to proposed amendment of Loy Yang remediation plan

Dear Vince

The proposed Loy Yang remediation plan amendment raises a number of issues for DELWP





The immediate response is that the implications of the proposed amendments are not simply with respect to the possible impacts on the associated water ways and the Bulk Entitlement and groundwater licence. The timing and long term aspects of the proposed plan go beyond the normal planning horizon for most projects (I would say similar projects, but there is nothing similar!), and should reflect the recent approach to the closure of the coal mine at Angelsea.

There is significant review of the documentation provided that cannot be done within a short space of time, particularly to give informed advice on the full implications.

DEDJTR need to advise us on what are the proposed licensing arrangements, the implications of who will be responsible for the implementation of remediation should the operator cease to operate after the planned closure of the mine or if this should happen in the interim.

I propose SRW seek a meeting with DEDJTR, including an invitation to Surface water, groundwater and Ecosystems representatives of DELWP to review the amendments and the potential implications for water management, to inform possible implications for the remediation plan, remediation bond with the aim of resolving any further advice required from DEDJTR and Loy Yang

Cheers

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