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The Director General NSW Department of Planning & Environment GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Director General,

Re: Proposed "Clarification" of the Five Wells Rule

I write regarding the State Environmental Planning Policy (Mining, Petroleum Production and Extractive Industries) Amendment 2014, which is currently on public display, one element of which is a proposed "Clarification" of the so-styled Five Wells Rule.

It is not immediately evident that the existing "Five Wells Rule" rule required clarification, and, furthermore, the proposed "clarification" is, in actuality, a modification and dilution of the existing rule. However, this will be the subject of a separate submission.

In the interim, and so that I may be better informed, I would appreciate receiving your response to the following question:

Has AGL, or any of its subsidiary Companies, or an agent acting on their behalf, ever submitted, in whatever form, and whether directly or indirectly, a request, suggestion, or whatever, to either the Department of Planning & Environment or any other NSW Government Agency, which was in any way related to a modification of the Five Wells Rule ?

Given the surprisingly short timeframe for response to the exhibition , I would appreciate receipt of your reply to this letter of enquiry as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr) Gerald McCalden.