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The Executive Director Resources and Industry Policies NSW Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

21 July 2015

Dear Sir/Madam

SUBMISSION ON THE DRAFT INTEGRATED MINING POLICY

Thank you for the opportunity provided to comment on exhibited components of the draft Integrated Mining Policy (IMP). The extension of the deadline for lodgement of submissions until 21 July 2015 to enable the consideration of the IMP at a meeting of Council is appreciated.

Council acknowledges the preparation of the IMP as being beneficial in achieving a level of consistency in submitted Mining Development Applications. However, a review of exhibited documents associated with the draft IMP identified a number of concerns over its format, preparation process as well as consistency with the concerns of Council associated with current mining operations within the Wollondilly Local Government Area. These concerns warranted the preparation of a submission.

The submission and accompanying attachments that was endorsed by Council at its meeting on 20 July 2015 is attached. It is requested to be noted that in endorsing the submission, Council also resolved to send correspondence to the NSW Minister for Planning that:

- Acknowledges the benefits in introducing the Integrated Mining Policy;
- Expresses disappointment that the exhibited Policy has not addressed issues raised in previous Council submissions; and
- Advises that Council is not able to finalise its position until all documents associated with the Policy have been publicly exhibited and submissions received.

The provision of a detailed response to all issues raised and requested amendments to the exhibited components of the IMP outlined in the attached submission would be appreciated.

If you have any enquiries or would like to discuss aspects of Council's submission, please contact Council's Environment Assessment Planner, David Henry, on (02) 4677 8687 or via e-mail david.henry@wollondilly.nsw.gov.au.

Yours faithfully

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