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**NSW Department of Panning and Environment** 

## DRAFT GREATER NEWCASTLE METROPOLITAN PLAN 2036 - CARRINGTON COAL **TERMINAL**

Centennial Coal (Centennial) welcomes long term strategic planning for the city and the region and is, in principle, supportive of the objectives set out in the draft Plan.

However, as a member of the mining industry and coal chain partner in the Hunter we are concerned by the reference to the Carrington Precinct on page 84, which states:

"The Port of Newcastle, working with Newcastle City Council and the NSW Department of Planning and Environment will investigate the potential to relocate coal export facilities and bulk fuel storages away from residential areas and explore options to renew the Carrington Precinct for alternative uses (including tourism)".

The Carrington Coal Terminal is important to the mining industry. As a shareholder, the majority of Centennial's coal is shipped through NCIG, however, we also rely on access to the Carrington Coal Terminal.

The Carrington terminal is an important and integral part of the Hunter Valley coal logistics chain, contributing up to 25 million tonnes per annum of export terminal capacity. Its continued operations are also consistent with the Port Development Plan 2015-2020, the Hunter Regional Plan 2036 and the NSW Draft Freight and Ports Plan.

Centennial requests amendments to the draft Plan which recognises the importance of the Carrington Coal Terminal to industry and the State's export trade.

Yours faithfully

Tony Macko

**Company Secretary** 

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