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Dear Ms Briggs

**Springvale Water Treatment Project (SSD 7592)**  
**Springvale Mine Extension Project MOD 2 (SSD 5594 MOD 2)**  
**Western Coal Services Project MOD 1 (SSD 5579 MOD 1)**

The Department has completed its assessment of the merits of the Springvale Water Treatment Project and two associated modification applications.

In accordance with the Minister's delegation dated 14 September 2011, the application for the Springvale Water Treatment Project is referred to the Planning Assessment Commission for determination, as there were more than 25 objections to the proposal.

This project and the two modifications are fundamentally inter-related, and are therefore submitted to the Commission for determination as one package.

During the exhibition of the environmental impact statements (EISs), the Department received a total of:

- 453 submissions on the Springvale Water Treatment Project, including 7 from public authorities, 5 from special interest groups and 441 from the general public;
- 348 submissions on Springvale Mine Extension Project MOD 2, including 7 from public authorities, 5 from special interest groups and 336 from the general public; and
- 8 submissions on the Western Coal Services Project MOD 1, including 5 from public authorities, 2 from special interest groups and 1 from the general public.

None of the public authorities object to the proposals.

I have attached copies of the Department's assessment reports for the three applications, and other relevant documents for the Commission's consideration.

For further information or to arrange a briefing, please contact Mr Clay Preshaw, A/Director Resource Assessments, on (02) 9274 6349.

Yours sincerely

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