## **STATEMENT**

## AQC DARTBROOK MANAGEMENT PTY LTD v MINISTER FOR PLANNING AND PUBLIC SPACES

2 November 2020

After an extensive conciliation process in the NSW Land and Environment Court, the Independent Planning Commission has reached agreement with the Applicant for the Dartbrook Coal Mine Modification 7 regarding amendments to the modification request and conditions of approval.

The Commission and Applicant have reached agreement after consideration of the public submissions the Commission received regarding the Applicant's Response to Contentions in the proceedings. The Applicant's Response to Contentions was published by the Commission on its website and submissions accepted for more than four weeks.

The Commission is now making public its signed agreement with the Applicant to ensure that interested individuals and groups are aware of the parties' position before the Court makes final orders on or after Tuesday 10 November 2020.

As the Commission has already benefitted from the community's submissions on the Applicant's Response to Contentions (as well as submissions received prior to its determination of Modification 7), the Commission will not be accepting further submissions on the signed agreement.

No further comment will be made at this time.

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