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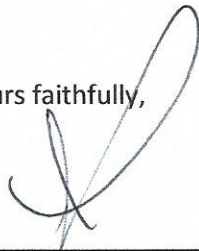
RE: VICKERY EXTENSION PROJECT SUBMISSION

Absolute Services Group Pty Ltd would like to express their support for the Extension of the approved Whitehaven Vickery Coal Mine.

Absolute Services Group Pty Ltd is a maintenance and labour company that has been working in the Gunnedah Basin region for numerous years. We have had the privilege to work with and alongside a number of Whitehaven sites, and in this time developed great working relationships with each team, providing labour solutions when and where required.

Currently Whitehaven Coal Mine play a positive role investing the future of this local community. We believe that the proposed extension project will create numerous new jobs and opportunities and Absolute Services Group Pty Ltd support Whitehaven Coal's efforts in creating a sustainable local economy and community.

Yours faithfully,



Anthony Newbigging
Managing Director
Absolute Services Group Pty Ltd