



BYLONG COAL PROJECT

22 July 2019

The Independent Planning Commission NSW has written to the Applicant, KEPCO Bylong Australia Pty Ltd, in relation to the Conditional Gateway Certification for its proposed Bylong Coal Project.

The Commission is aware the Gateway Certificate issued under clause 17H of the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Mining, Petroleum Production and Extractive Industries) 2007* expired on 15 April 2019.

In its letter to the Applicant, dated 18 July 2019, the Commission advised it is of the preliminary view that it cannot, as consent authority in respect of the Project, approve KEPCO's state significant development application "in the absence of a Gateway Certificate that is current at the time of the determination."

The Commission has given the Applicant until 5pm this Friday (26 July 2019) to either make a submission on the implications of the expiration of the Gateway Certificate for the development OR notify the Commission of its intent to request a fresh Gateway Certificate.

Commissioners Kirkby (Panel Chair), Lewin and O'Connor are continuing their deliberations on the State Significant Development application.

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