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Dear Ms Summerhayes

Rix's Creek South Continuation of Mining Project SSD 6300

I refer to your letter of 11 October 2019, in which the Independent Planning Commission (the Commission) sought clarification on the consultation undertaken by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's (the Department) in developing the additional information package provided to the Commission on 24 September 2019.

The Department's additional information package focused on addressing the Commission's requests dated 17 July 2019 and 10 September 2019 and included an addendum to its assessment report regarding the air quality impacts of the project.

The Department did not require further agency input to inform its response to the questions posed by the Commission. In particular, I note that the addendum to the air quality assessment provided on 24 September 2019 was undertaken to clarify the predicted air quality impact levels at specific receiver locations in Camberwell Village. The Department's assessment of the additional air quality information was undertaken in accordance with the EPA's *Approved methods for the modelling and assessment of air pollutants in NSW* and used this additional information to inform its final recommendations in relation to acquisition and mitigation rights.

The Department notes that NSW Health had previously confirmed its satisfaction with the recommended conditions in a meeting with the Commission dated 15 August 2019, and did not need to consult further with NSW Health to inform its recommendations for affording acquisition and mitigation rights in accordance with the *Voluntary Land Acquisition and Mitigation Policy*.

If you require any further information, please contact me on the details above.

Yours sincerely

11/10/19

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