

# Request to the Independent Planning Commission Tahmoor South Coal Project

Section 2.9 (1) (d) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*

*On 15 January 2019, the former Minister for Planning requested the Independent Planning Commission conduct a public hearing in multiple stages into the carrying out of the Tahmoor South Coal Project. A public hearing was scheduled in response to the request but was cancelled due to modifications proposed to be made to the application for consent for the Project. Additionally, multi-stage public hearings are no longer conducted by the Commission.*

Noting the above, I, the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, rescind the request made on 15 January 2019 for the Independent Planning Commission to conduct a public hearing in multiple stages and instead request the Independent Planning Commission to:

1. Conduct a public hearing into the carrying out of the Tahmoor South Coal Project (SSD 8445) prior to determining the development application for the Project under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, paying particular attention to:
  - a) the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's assessment report, including any recommended conditions of consent;
  - b) key issues raised in public submissions during the public hearing; and
  - c) any other documents or information relevant to the determination of the development application.
2. Complete the public hearing and make its determination of the development application within 12 weeks of receiving the Department's assessment report in respect of the project, unless the Planning Secretary agrees otherwise



The Hon. Rob Stokes MP  
Minister for Planning and Public Spaces

Sydney *27<sup>th</sup> October* 2020

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