

26 May 2023

The Hon Rose Jackson MP
Minister for Water and Minister for Housing

Via email: office@jackson.minister.nsw.gov.au
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Dear Ms Jackson,

Cadia Valley Operations Modification 15 – Gateway Certificate Application

The NSW Mining and Petroleum Gateway Panel (**Panel**) has received an application for a Gateway Certificate from Cadia Holdings Pty Limited in respect of Modification 15 to the Cadia Valley Operations Project, which is an existing gold mine located south-west of Orange in NSW.

In accordance with clause 2.30 of the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Resources and Energy) 2021* (**Resources SEPP**), the Panel refers the enclosed application to you for advice regarding the impact of the proposed development on water resources. Under clause 2.30(2) of the Resources SEPP, when providing advice to the Panel on the impact of the proposed development on water resources, the Minister for Regional water must have regard to the minimal impact considerations set out in the Aquifer Interference Policy and any other provisions of that policy.

In accordance with clause 2.30(1) of the Resources SEPP, the Panel respectfully requests that you provide your written advice within 70 days of this letter request.

Should you have any questions, I have asked Ms Casey Joshua, (02) 8289 6913 or casey.joshua@ipcn.nsw.qov.au, to liaise directly with you.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Neal Menzies

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Chair, Mining and Petroleum Gateway Panel