

New South Wales Government Independent Planning Commission

> Director – Resource Assessments Department of Planning and Environment

By Email:

cc:

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Dear

Bylong Coal Project (SSD 6367) – Request for Additional Information

On 7 November 2018 the Independent Planning Commission (the **Commission**) held a public meeting as part of its consideration of the Bylong Coal Project (the **Project**).

As demonstrated through the transcript of the public meeting and follow-up submissions there is significant community concern regarding the economic benefits and associated cost benefit analysis for the Project.

The Commission notes that since the finalisation of The Centre for International Economics' *Peer review of economic assessment Bylong Coal project,* dated 1 December 2015, significant amendments to the Project's impacts and benefits have occurred. These amendments have included a revised *Economic Impact Assessment of the Bylong Coal Project State Significant Development Application*, prepared by Cadence Economics, dated December 2017.

To assist in considering these issues the Commission is writing to the Department to seek a revised peer review of the economic assessment and cost benefit analysis of the revised Project.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me on

Kind Regards,

Senior Planning Officer Independent Planning Commission NSW Secretariat