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Mr Chris Armit
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Dear Mr Armit

I write regarding landowner consent relevant to proposed mining modifications to Chain Valley Colliery known as Chain Valley modification 3 (Mod 3), and Mannering Collieries known as Mannering Colliery modification 5 (Mod 5).

Mod 3 would modify State Significant Development SSD-5465 and Mod 5 would modify MP06_0311. Under Section 4.55(1A) of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979* this requires informed landowner consent from the Minister for Energy and Environment in accordance with clause 115(h) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000.

As the Minister administering the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*, on behalf of the Crown as owner of land reserved as the Lake Macquarie State Conservation Area under the *National Parks (Reservations) Act 2003*, I grant consent for the purpose of submitting Mod 3 and 5 by Great Southern Energy Pty Ltd (trading as Delta Coal).

This letter constitutes only a consent to the lodgement of the development application and should not be construed as reflecting any view on my part as to whether the development application warrants a favourable determination.

Yours sincerely

Matt Kean MP

Minister for Energy and Environment

CC: The Hon Rob Stokes, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces