## **Subsidence Management Plan Approval**

I, David P.T. Blackmore, Acting Executive Director Resource Operations, Division of Resources and Geoscience, under delegation from the Secretary, NSW Department of Planning & Environment dated 26 September 2017, having considered the likely environmental impacts of the mining operations identified in the Project Description specified in Schedule 1 and having had regard to the principles of ecologically sustainable development as defined in the *Protection of the Environment Administration Act 1991*, approve, for the purposes of the Extraction Plan Condition that became effective on 1 July 2014 in Consolidated Coal Lease No.716, Mining Lease No. 1376 & Mining Lease No. 1539, the Subsidence Management Plan identified in Schedule 1, subject to the conditions set out in Schedule 2.

This Approval only authorises the underground mining operations identified in the Project Description for the Period and Area identified in Schedule 1. Obligations under this Approval regarding rehabilitation, monitoring and impact management continue to apply after the expiry of this period unless otherwise notified in writing by the Secretary.

These conditions are required to:

- ensure optimal mineral resource recovery;
- prevent, minimise, manage and/or offset adverse impacts;
- provide for the ongoing environmental management of the project;
- ensure the area disturbed by mining is appropriately rehabilitated.

The rights and duties of a Leaseholder are those prescribed by the *Mining Act 1992*, subject to the terms and conditions of the Lease which include a requirement to carry out operations in accordance with the Subsidence Management Plan conditionally approved by this Approval. This Subsidence Management Plan Approval does not override any obligation on the Leaseholder to comply with the requirements of other legislation and regulatory instruments unless specifically provided in the Mining Act or other legislation or regulatory instruments.

SIGNED

David P.T. Blackmore A/ Executive Director Resource Operations Division of Resources and Geoscience Under delegation for the Secretary Dated September 2018

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