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Dear Jody Shimkus:

I am writing further to HD Mining International Ltd.'s (HD Mining) request under Section 31 of the *Environmental Assessment Act* (2018) (the Act) to extend the Environmental Assessment Certificate (EAC) for the Murray River Coal Project (Project). HD Mining submitted this request on December 18, 2019 and provided supplemental information to this request on February 28, 2020.

On July 14, 2020, after reviewing the extension request and the reasons provided, the Acting Chief Executive Assessment Officer has decided to extend the deadline specified in the Certificate to October 1, 2025. I enclose an extension Order under Section 31 of the Act. Please note that with the extension the Certificate expiry date is now October 1, 2025.

Further details including the Environmental Assessment Office (EAO)'s report on the review of an Application for a Certificate Extension is available on EAO's Electronic Project Information Centre website here.

Yours truly,

Heather Noble

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Attachment (1)

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