Planning Assessment Commission

15 January 2010

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
Bulli Seam Operations Project (08_0150)
Located in the Wollondilly, Wollongong and Campbelltown Local Government Areas

The former Minister for Planning, the Honourable Kristina Keneally MP, directed on 13 November 2009 that a Planning Assessment Commission be constituted to review the application for the Bulli Seam Operations Project, located about 25 km northwest of Wollongong. The direction was made pursuant to section 23D(1)(b)(ii) of the *NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The Commission comprises:

1. Dr Neil Shepherd (Chair)
2. Emeritus Professor Jim Galvin
3. Professor Jeffrey Bennett
4. Dr John Tilleard
5. Dr Colin Mackie

The terms of reference for the Commission are:

(a) *"to carry out a review of the potential subsidence-related impacts of the Bulli Seam Operations Project on significant natural features, built infrastructure and the values of Sydney's drinking water catchment, taking into consideration the recommendations of the Southern Coalfield Inquiry;*
(b) *advise on the significance and acceptability of these potential impacts, and to recommend appropriate measures to avoid, minimise, manage, remediate or offset these impacts; and*
(c) *identify and comment on any other significant issues raised in submissions regarding the Bulli Seam Operations Project or during public hearings."*

As directed by the Minister, public hearings will be held on the project. The hearings will commence at **9:00am** on **Wednesday 17 February 2010** at **Appin House, 150 Appin Road, Appin** and continue if required. The hearings will be open to the public.

If you wish to speak at the hearing, please contact Rohan Tayler, the Commission Coordinator on 9383 2104 or rohan.tayler@planning.nsw.gov.au on or before **Friday 12 February 2010** to arrange a suitable time for your presentation.

All previous submissions made to the Department of Planning have been forwarded to the Commission. If you would like to make an additional verbal or written submission to the Commission, you should also contact Rohan Tayler by **Friday 12 February 2010**.

Persons lodging submissions are required to declare political donations (including donations of more than $1,000) made in the previous two years. For a disclosure form go to the NSW Planning and Assessment Commission website (www.pac.nsw.gov.au).

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