

Modification of Development Consent

Section 4.55(2) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*

As delegate of the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, the Independent Planning Commission **approves** the modification of the development consent referred to in Schedule 1, subject to the conditions in Schedule 2.

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SCHEDULE 1

Development consent: SSD 7592 granted by the Planning Assessment Commission on 19 June 2017

For the following: Springvale Water Treatment Project

Applicant: Springvale Coal PTY Limited

Consent Authority: The Independent Planning Commission of NSW

The Land: The land defined in Appendix 1 of the development consent

Modification: Water management during Mount Piper Power Station outages

SCHEDULE 2

1. In the list of definitions, delete the term 'BCD' and its definition, and insert the following definitions in alphabetical order:

Blended water	A blend of treated water and partially treated mine water with an indicative electrical conductivity range of 600 to 900 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$
CPHR	Conservation Programs, Heritage and Regulation Group of the NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
2. In Schedule 3, delete all references to 'BCD' and replace with 'CPHR'
3. In the list of definitions, in the definition of "Coxs River Water Supply Pipeline", after the words "treated water", insert "and partially treated mine water".
4. In the list of definitions, delete the definition for 'Department' and replace with 'Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure'.
5. In the definition for "EIS";
 - a. after the definition of "MOD 7" delete "and"; and
 - b. at the end of the definition of "MOD 8", delete the full stop and insert;
"; and"
 - MOD 11 – 'Springvale Water Treatment Plant Modification Report for Modification 11 to SSD-7592 (Mod 11)' dated December 2024, associated 'Springvale Water Treatment Facility Modification 11 Response to Submissions Report' dated 28 February 2025 and 'SWTP SSD – 7592 – Mod 11 Amendment Report' dated 4 March 2025."
6. In the list of definitions, in the definition of 'Heritage NSW', following the word 'Department', insert "of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water".
7. In the list of definitions, in the definition of "Partially treated mine water", following the word "solids" insert "(also referred to as filtered water in MOD 11)".
8. In the definition for "Residuals Transfer Pipeline", delete "12_".
9. In the list of definitions, in the definition of "Treated water", following the word "Plant", insert "using filtering to remove solids and reverse osmosis to remove salts".
10. In Schedule 2, after Condition 6A, insert the following new conditions:
 - 6B. During the planned outage period scheduled to occur at Mount Piper Power Station in April and May 2025, and for a period of 14 days prior and 7 days following the planned outage, the Applicant may transfer up to:
 - (a) 42 megalitres per day of blended water, consisting of no more than 24 megalitres of partially treated mine water; or
 - (b) up to 24 megalitres per day of partially treated mine water;via the Coxs River Water Supply Pipeline to the Thompsons Creek Reservoir.
 - 6C. Prior to commencing transfer of blended water or partially treated mine water under condition 6B, the Applicant must install a continuous water quality monitoring system capable of assessing water quality in the Thompsons Creek Reservoir. The Applicant must maintain the water quality monitoring system for the duration of the operation of the development.
 - 6D. The Applicant must undertake the transfer of blended water or partially treated mine water under condition 6B in accordance with the following conditions:
 - (a) the Applicant must notify the EPA and WaterNSW prior to commencing the transfer of blended water or partially treated mine water under condition 6B;
 - (b) the Applicant must notify the EPA and WaterNSW, as soon as practicable after the Applicant becomes aware, if water quality in Thompsons Creek Reservoir exceeds 550 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ electrical conductivity (EC);
 - (c) the Applicant must immediately cease the transfer of blended water or partially treated mine water if monitoring indicates that there is a risk of exceeding 600 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ electrical conductivity (EC); and

- (d) during the period of any transfer of blended water or partially treated mine water under condition 6B, daily environmental releases from Thompsons Creek Reservoir must be limited to the minimum volume required under the water access licence of 0.8 megalitres per day between 1 September and 30 April and 0.3 megalitres per day between 1 May and 31 August.

End of modification

(SSD 7592 MOD 11)

RECOMMENDATION