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Proposed order to suspend operations of Wollongong Coal Limited

On 2 February 2018, the Company received letters from the Department of Planning & Environment (Resources Regulator), proposing to issue a direction under the Mining Act 1992, suspending the operations of the Company in relation to certain mining titles: CCL 745, ML 1575 and MPL 271, CCL 776, ML 1565 and ML 1596.

These mining titles relate to operations at the Russell Vale Colliery and the Wongawilli Colliery.

In relation to these collieries, the Company notes:

1. The Russell Vale Colliery has been in 'care and maintenance' since 2015. The colliery is not producing coal, and is awaiting approval for the expansion of the mine.
2. The Wongawilli Colliery is operational in accordance with relevant approvals and authorisations.

The proposed decision relates to the late payment of various authorisation fees (rents and levies) payable under the relevant mining titles over time. The proposed decision is preliminary only.

The Company has until 16 February 2018 to make submissions to the Regulator.

The Company is considering its options and will make a further announcement in due course.

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