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**Ref: Wollongong Coal's UEP Underground Expansion Project -  
Recommended by NSW Planning Department and Referred to Planning and  
Assessment Committee for Determination.**

Please find attached a copy of press release regarding Wollongong Coal's  
UEP Underground Expansion Project - Recommended by NSW Planning  
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Determination.

Thank you

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# PRESS RELEASE

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*Russell Vale Colliery*

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Wollongong, December 19 2014:** Wollongong Coal's Underground Expansion Project (UEP) has been recommended for approval by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment and referred to the NSW Planning Assessment Committee (PAC) for Determination.

Wollongong Coal Chief Operating Officer Dave Stone welcomed the Department of Planning and Environment's recommendation as a further positive step to providing for the long term and sustainable viability of Wollongong Coal.

"The Wollongong Coal UEP is the result of lengthy, rigorous and detailed planning to develop a sustainable and balanced mine design and associated operating processes," Mr Stone said.

"As part of this process we have made substantial design changes in response to feedback from the community and regulators to minimise impacts.

"We engaged industry leading experts to develop best practice plans and associated management practices in the fields of ecology, subsidence, noise and water.

"With these plans in place the community can be confident that Wollongong Coal is equipped to exceed expectations in these key areas," Mr Stone said.

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*Wollongong Coal Limited (ASX Code: WLC) owns and operates Russell Vale Colliery and Wongawilli Colliery in the Southern Coalfields Region of New South Wales. The Russell Vale Colliery was established in 1887 and has provided ongoing employment and support for the local community for 127 years.*

*Wollongong Coal is developing to become one of the most modern and progressive coal mines in Australia. Wollongong Coal's proximity to Sydney and Port Kembla Coal Terminal make it a commercially competitive organisation. Port Kembla is located at a close proximity of about 15 kms from both the Collieries and well connected via both rail and road.*