VICKERY EXTENSION PROJECT
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

ATTACHMENT 9
SITE VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE
Site Verification Certificate
Vickery Coal Mine
Part 4AA, Division 3 of State Environmental Planning Policy
(Mining, Petroleum Production and Extractive Industries) 2007

Pursuant to clause 17C(1) of State Environmental Planning Policy (Mining, Petroleum Production and Extractive Industries) 2007, I determine the application made by Whitehaven Coal Limited by issuing this certificate.

I certify that in my opinion, having regard to the criteria in the Interim Protocol for site verification and mapping of biophysical strategic agricultural land, the land specified in Schedule 1 is not Biophysical Strategic Agricultural Land.

The reasons for forming the opinion on each of the relevant criteria are contained in Schedule 2.

[Signature]
Secretary
Date certificate issued: 8.2.16

This certificate will remain current for 5 years from the date of issue.
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<th>Relevant criteria</th>
<th>Consideration</th>
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<td>Contiguity</td>
<td>While five individual sites identified soils which that meet the criteria to constitute BSAL, the sites are not contiguous areas greater than 20 ha in size and are therefore excluded.</td>
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<td>Soil Type</td>
<td>Other parts of the subject site are excluded as they are comprised of soils that do not satisfy the criteria to constitute BSAL.</td>
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<td>Slope</td>
<td>Some small portions of the subject site are excluded as BSAL by virtue of being over 10% in gradient.</td>
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