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**SUBJECT: Notice of termination of the environmental assessment for the  
Bingay Main Coal Project**

On March 16, 2020, December 21, 2020, June 10, 2021, March 14, 2022, and June 6, 2022, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) contacted you regarding the three-year legislated time limit for you to provide the required information or studies for the environmental assessment under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012* (CEAA 2012) for the Bingay Main Coal Project (the Project) pursuant to subsection 181(2) of the *Impact Assessment Act* (the IAA).

On August 24, 2022 you provided a request for an extension of the three-year time limit; however, on August 26, 2022, the Agency informed you that the time limit would not be extended following a review of available information, including the information submitted in your request.

The deadline to submit the required information or studies described in the Final Environmental Impact Statement Guidelines issued for the Project was **August 28, 2022**. The required information or studies has not been provided to the Agency, nor has an extension to the three-year legislated time limit been granted. The environmental assessment for the Project under CEAA 2012 is thus terminated in accordance with subsection 181(3) of the IAA. A notice informing the public of the termination will be posted on the Registry at <https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/proj/80024>.

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If you still wish to proceed with the Project, you should consider whether the Project is a designated physical activity described in the *Physical Activities Regulations*, as the prohibitions under Section 7 of the IAA may apply to the Project. If the Project is described in the *Physical Activities Regulations*, you must submit an Initial Project Description to the Agency in accordance with Section 10 of the IAA. The information that must be provided in an Initial Project Description is detailed in the *Information and Management of Time Limits Regulations* under the IAA. Further information on the IAA is available on the Agency's website at: [www.canada.ca/en/impact-assessment-agency.html](http://www.canada.ca/en/impact-assessment-agency.html).

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at <contact information removed> or by email at <email address removed>.

Sincerely,

<Original signed by>

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