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The Chief Executive Attention: Mitzi Venn Regional Planning Interest Development Assessment Team Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning PO Box 15009 City East QLD 4002

Dear Ms Venn

ML 6674 MEANDU MINE SURFACE RIGHTS EXTENSION REGIONAL INTEREST DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL APPLICATION

TEC Coal Pty Ltd (TEC Coal) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Stanwell Corporation Limited (Stanwell) and is the holder of Mining Lease (ML) 6674. On the 8 December 2014 TEC Coal submited an application for an additional surface area to ML 6674 to the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM).

Please find enclosed an application seeking a Regional Interest Development Approval (RIDA) under the *Regional Planning Interests Act 2014* (RPI Act) for a surface rights extension (SRE) within the current ML 6674, inclduing:

- a cheque for the application fee of \$2,823.00
- a completed RPI Act 2014 Assessment Application Form (2 copies)
- a report to provide supporting information for the RIDA that has been prepared in accordance with the RPI Act Guideline: 01/14 (2 copies). In particular, it provides:
 - o a description of the Project
 - identification of previous and current land uses undertaken on the Project site
 - an assessment of the Project's compliance with the criteria detailed in the Regional Planning Interests Regulation 2014 (RPI Regulation).
- a CD containing digital copies of the application (1 copy).

The evidence provided in support of this assessment application demonstrates that the SRE area is not currently being used for a Priority Agricultural Land Use (PALU) nor has it been used for a PALU in the last 10 years. It is considered that the Priority Agricultural Area designation under the *Darling Downs Regional Plan* does not reflect current or recent land use of the SRE area.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, plase don't hesitate to contact Scott Cullen on the details below.

Yours sincerely

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