

## Supporting information for Amendment Application to PRCP\_EA100114091\_V1

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### 1. Introduction

The purpose of this document is to support an amendment application to the Progressive Rehabilitation and Closure Plan (PRCP) schedule for the Isaac River Coal Mine, Environmental Authority number EA100114091. The proponent is Coking Coal One Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of Bowen Coking Coal (BCC). The activity will be carried out within the current EA100114091 approval area, being Mining Lease application areas (MLa's) 700062 and 700063.

### 2. Background

The PRCP schedule was approved on 29 March 2022, based on documentation submitted by BCC between 2020 and early 2022. At that time, it was anticipated the Isaac River Coal Mine would commence in early 2021, and this was stated in the application material. Hence the PRCP schedule was based on this start date, with milestones scheduled for mid-2022 onwards. The timing from commencement to the first PRCP milestone was 18 months.

BCC is actively working through other statutory requirements, such as a controlled action approval under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Commonwealth). In particular, the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* mining lease processes are not finalised and there may be Land Court processes to be completed. As such, the Isaac River Coal Mine is unlikely to commence until Quarter 1 2024.

### 3. Proposed amendments to the PRCP schedule

BCC seeks changes to the PRCP schedule that reflect the revised commencement timing. Applying the same approved timeframes, the first PRCP schedule commencement of the first milestone (RM4 of RA3) being June 2025, then 2026 and so on. The general approach would be moving the current PRCP schedule dates forward by 36months, or 3 years. No changes to the approved periods of time in between milestones is proposed as a part of this amendment application.

BCC does not propose to change the rehabilitation planning component of the PRC Plan approved by the administering authority on 29 March 2022. As such, the PRC Plan is not included in this application package.

#### 4. Threshold Assessment Table

| <b>Threshold criteria listed in section 223, definition of “minor amendment (PRCP threshold)”</b>                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>Response</b>                                                                                                                                                   | <b>Assessment</b>                  |
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| (a) does not change a post-mining land use or non-use management area; or                                                                                                                                                                                                              | No changes to the approved post mine land use or introduction of non-use management areas are proposed.                                                           | Meets “minor amendment” definition |
| (b) does not affect whether a stable condition will be achieved for land under the schedule; or                                                                                                                                                                                        | No changes associated with landform stability are proposed.                                                                                                       | Meets “minor amendment” definition |
| (c) does not change the way a post-mining land use will be achieved, or a non-use management area will be managed, in a way likely to result in significantly different impacts on environmental values compared to the impacts on the values under the schedule before the change; or | No additional impacts to environmental changes are proposed (See Section 5 of this document).                                                                     | Meets “minor amendment” definition |
| (d) does not relate to a new mining tenure for the schedule; or                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Not applicable                                                                                                                                                    | Not applicable                     |
| (e) does not change when a rehabilitation milestone or management milestone will be achieved by more than 5 years after the time stated in the schedule when it was first approved; or                                                                                                 | The requested delay to the first and subsequent milestones is 3 years.                                                                                            | Meets “minor amendment” definition |
| (f) does not extend the day by which rehabilitation of land to a stable condition will be achieved.                                                                                                                                                                                    | The application does not propose to change the approved period of time for the land to achieve stable condition as identified in Section 3.1.2.6 of the PRC Plan. | Meets “minor amendment” definition |

## 5. Response to Application Form, Section 8 (Environmental Values)

The *Application Form: Application to amend a PRCP schedule or joint PRCP schedule and EA*, section 8 (Environmental Values) requires the proponent to:

*“Attach a document that provides an assessment of the likely impact of the proposed amendment on environmental values (EVs). Note: All fields below are mandatory, therefore a statement is required where there are no likely impacts to an EV.”* This section addresses that requirement.

BCC seeks changes to the PRCP schedule that only reflect the revised commencement timing. There are no likely changes to impacts to the following environmental values as a result of the revised commencement timing:

- Water;
- Groundwater;
- Wetlands;
- Land
- Land use;
- Air;
- Acoustic; and
- Waste.

BCC submitted information relating to impacts on EVs to the administering authority between 2020 and early 2022. This included:

- A description of the environmental values likely to be affected by the proposed amendment;
- Details of any emissions or releases likely to be generated by the proposed amendment;
- A description of the risk and likely magnitude of impact on environmental values;
- Details of the management practices proposed to be implemented to prevent or minimise adverse impacts; and
- Details of how the land the subject to the application will be rehabilitation after each relevant activity ceases.

The proposed amendments to the PRCP schedule do not change this information or assessment.