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TO: Sue Linner, Permit Supervisor

FROM: Rick P. Summers, Reclamation Hydrologist ^{RPS}

RE: Modification of Water Monitoring Plan, Amendment Number
ACT/007/012-89B, Received September 7, 1989, Genwal Coal
Company, Wellington Preparation Plant, ACT/007/012, Folders
#2 & #8

SUMMARY:

The applicant requested modification of the approved surface and groundwater monitoring plan for the Wellington Preparation Plant. The modification consists of reduction of the parameter list for analysis from the Division's current baseline parameters to operational parameters.

Additionally, the existing plan called for flow measurements at two stations (up and downstream) on the Price River. The applicant proposes to measure flow at the downstream station on the Price River and delete the flow measurement at the upstream station. The flow measurement is time intensive and inherent error in the technique would mask any likely detection in flow impacts to the stream.

The deletion of flow measurement for the upstream station is considered approvable based upon: 1) the volume of water in the Price River and the unlikely occurrence/detection of flow impacts to the stream due to the nature of plant activities and, 2) the applicant's operation plan does not include the discharge of water to the treatment impoundments on the Eastern portion of the permit. The applicant must continue to collect quality measurements from both stations.

The proposal is approvable as submitted. The applicant should be aware that if the operational plan changes in the future to include use of the slurry ponds, the plan must be revised to include the measurement of flow at both stations. The format is not in a form for direct insertion to the existing MRP. However, the change is logical for the forthcoming permit renewal.

cc: Harold Sandbeck
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