Mulgrave Resource Access, South Walker Creek Mine (EPBC 2017/7957) NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following notice is published pursuant to Section 95B of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

BHP Billiton Mitsui Coal Pty Ltd proposes to continue progression of the Mulgrave open cut mining pit within the boundaries of Mine Lease 4750 at South Walker Creek Mine. The project is located approximately 25 km west-south west of Nebo in the Bowen Basin, Queensland.

The proposed action has been determined to be a "controlled action" under the EPBC Act. The controlling provisions under the EPBC Act are "listed threatened species and communities" (Sections 18 and 18A); and "protection of water resources from coal seam gas development and large coal mining development" (section 24D & section 24E).

In accordance with Section 95A (3) of the EPBC Act, the public were invited to comment on the referral documentation and additional information (Preliminary Documentation) related to the proposed action for a period of 20 business days between 25 February 2019 and 25 March 2019. Nil (0) submissions were received during the public comment period. Accordingly, no additional information has been incorporated within the Preliminary Documentation in response to the public comments.

In accordance with Section 95B(4) of the EPBC Act, the Preliminary Documentation and the original referral are being published for a further 20 business days from 4 April 2019 to 9 May 2019 for public information.

The documents are available to view at:

Moranbah Public Library - Lot 1 Town Square Ave, Moranbah, QLD

Department of Environment and Science - 99 Hospital Rd, Emerald, QLD

The documents can also be viewed or downloaded without charge at: https://www.bhp.com/environment/regulatory-information and then by selecting 'BMC, South Walker Creek'.

If you have special needs and require assistance in accessing material, please call 1800 078 797.

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