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Clean Energy Regulator  
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Dear Safeguard Team

**Bengalla Mining Company Pty Limited (BMC) – Surrender Australian Carbon Credit Unit Written Explanation 2024-2025**

Bengalla Mining Company (**BMC**), operates (on behalf of the Bengalla Joint Venture), and is the responsible emitter for, the Bengalla Coal Mine (**Facility**). In accordance with section 72C of the *National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting (Safeguard Mechanism) Rule 2015* BMC confirms that the number of Australian Carbon Credit Units (**ACCUs**) surrendered by the Facility for the 2024-2025 reporting year exceeded 30 percent (30%) of the baseline for that period. The total credits surrendered amounted to 31.7% of the baseline.

The primary sources of emissions at the Facility are fugitive emissions from open cut coal mining and diesel use. BMC has a well-established Cost, Productivity and Revenue Program specifically designed to improve efficiency, productivity, safety and environmental outcomes. BMC is continually investigating new technologies to reduce fugitive emissions for open cut coal mines and will continue working proactively on its own, and in conjunction with industry bodies to source viable emissions reduction technologies.

*Limitations in available technologies*

During the reporting period there were no commercially viable, or proven technologies undertaken to abate fugitive and diesel emissions from open cut coal mining available to Bengalla.

*Barriers to undertaking carbon abatement*

The primary barrier to carbon abatement activities for open cut coal mining is the availability of proven and cost-effective technologies that can be readily integrated with existing infrastructure. As noted below, BMC is seeking approvals to implement 'drain and flare' activities and through this process will be able to further report on whether there are any regulatory, or other, barriers to undertaking abatement activities.

*Future Opportunities*

BMC has funded, investigated and progressed a variety of projects relating to emissions abatement, two of which will be explored during the next reporting period.

BMC has confirmed through preliminary reservoir studies that there is potential to drain and flare methane in some areas of the unmined open cut ahead of mining operations.

BMC is also exploring diesel emissions reduction opportunities with its key suppliers installing alternate engines in brand new heavy mobile equipment (HME) truck fleet with confidence that it will reduce the rate of diesel fuel burn. This project is in the monitoring phase and BMC will implement this conversion for future engine replacements if the reductions in diesel burn are realised.

During the period, New Hope Group purchased ACCUs to surrender on behalf of BMC as one method of meeting its obligations under the Safeguard Mechanism in the 2024-2025 reporting period and will continue to assess viable options in line with regulatory emissions reduction obligations.

*Commercially Sensitive Information*

The information in this letter is not commercially sensitive.

Sincerely



**Dominic O'Brien**

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