



**Trade &
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Mine Safety**

File No.: 11/3219

Mine Manager
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Dear Sir,

Re: Tahmoor Colliery Longwall Panel 27 - Subsidence Monitoring Programme

I refer to Tahmoor Colliery's proposed subsidence monitoring programme for Longwall Panel 27, as included within the following documents:

- (i) "Xstrata Coal: Tahmoor Colliery – Longwall 27 Subsidence Monitoring Programme - Revision F" dated August 2013, submitted for approval by e-mail by Community Coordinator, Tahmoor Colliery on 16 September 2013; and
- (ii) E-mail entitled "LONGWALL HAS EXTRACTED A TOTAL OF 1277M TO THE END OF NIGHT SHIFT THIS MORNING -plus Subsidence Monitoring Program updates", received from Manager Environment and Community, Tahmoor Colliery dated 12 June 2013.

Pursuant to Condition 12 of Director General's approval of SMP for Longwalls 27 - 30 (File No. 11/3219, dated 31 October 2012), the subsidence monitoring programme is approved, subject to the following conditions:

- 1 The layout of monitoring points, inspection regimes, parameters to be measured, monitoring methods and accuracies, timing and frequencies of surveys and inspections, recording and reporting of monitoring results must be consistent with the subsidence monitoring programme noted at Points (i) and (ii) above;
- 2 Notwithstanding Point 2 above:
 - a. The leaseholder must comply with the monitoring/inspection requirements of the Office of the National Rail Safety Regulator and the owners/operators of infrastructure that may be affected by subsidence arising from extraction of the subject longwall panel;
 - b. Monitoring or inspections must not be discontinued, monitoring points must not be removed or the approved monitoring programme modified without the approval of the Principal Subsidence Engineer;
- 3 Proposed monitoring points must be installed and surveyed prior to any potential influence of subsidence arising from extraction of the subject longwall panel;
- 4 Monitoring points noted as disturbed or destroyed must be re-established promptly, where it is reasonable and practical to do so. Details of any monitoring points that are re-established must be provided with subsequent monitoring results; and
- 5 Any required and/or necessary approvals must be obtained from relevant government departments prior to clearing of vegetation and/or installation of proposed monitoring points.

Yours faithfully,

20.9.13

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