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Dear Karyn Lewis:

Subject: Review of the Environmental Impact Statement

On December 15, 2023, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) received the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and EIS Summary for the Crown Mountain Coking Coal Project (the Project) from you, on behalf of NWP Coal Canada Ltd.

The Agency reviewed the EIS and EIS Summary in consideration of the *Guidelines for the Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement* (EIS Guidelines), issued to the Proponent by the Agency on February 20, 2015.

The Agency is of the opinion that the EIS and EIS Summary contain sufficient information to commence the technical review of the documents and an associated public comment period, which will be carried out in coordination with British Columbia's Environmental Assessment Office. The EIS and EIS Summary will be posted on the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry Internet Site to invite comments by the public and Indigenous Peoples during the comment period, which is being planned to begin on January 29, 2024, and end on February 28, 2024.

This opinion does not imply that the information provided is adequate to support the preparation of the environmental assessment report and the Agency may request further information as the review progresses.

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Should you have any questions regarding the technical review of the EIS, please contact me at 778-951-5106 or via email at Stefan.Crampton@iaac-aeic.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

<Original signed by>

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