
Appendix I

Referral documentation for Clarence Colliery – Secondary
Extraction of the 918 and 920 Panels using Partial Extraction
Methods (EPBC 2024/09856)

I.1 Referral documentation for Clarence Colliery – Secondary Extraction of the 918 and 920 Panels using Partial Extraction Methods (EPBC 2024/09856)

On 11 April 2024, Centennial submitted an EPBC Act referral to the Commonwealth DCCEEW for the secondary extraction (partial extraction) of coal from 918 and 920 Panels of Clarence Colliery. On 18 July 2024, DCCEEW determined that the extraction, and associated activities, are a controlled action (2024/09856).

Subsequently, Centennial removed 920 Panel from the proposed Action based on feedback from Commonwealth and State governments. Centennial sought a variation to remove 920 Panel from the proposed Action via a letter to the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment and Water (the Minister), dated 20 October 2025. The variation was approved by the Minister on 14 November 2025.

This preliminary documentation has been prepared to support the application under the EPBC Act for the secondary extraction of the 918 Panel at Clarence Colliery using panel and pillar partial extraction (PPPE) using shortwall mining technique (the proposed Action). The proposed Action has changed substantially from that originally referred. The original referral documentation can be accessed through the EPBC public portal where the original referral documentation was published but is not considered necessary for understanding the impacts for the proposed action, as varied. A link to the EPBC public portal is provided below.

<https://epbcpublicportal.environment.gov.au/all-referrals/project-referral-summary/project-decision/?id=02abaed0-8e2e-ef11-840a-002248977a75>

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