

MEDIA STATEMENT

18 September 2018

Adani self-reports on administrative error

Today we notified the Department of Environment and Science of an administrative paperwork error in our 2017/2018 Annual Return for the Carmichael mine, which we are required to provide as part of our general environmental reporting obligations.

Areas on the Mining Lease that were disturbed during the final three-and-a-half weeks of the annual return period should have been included, and exploration disturbance prior to the reporting period should have been carried across. We have now provided this information to the regulator and have released it publicly (see attachment to this statement).

Critically, we can confirm that all physical works that have occurred onsite to date are Stage 1 project activities related to geological sampling and ground water investigations, which are permitted under our Environmental Authority.

We identified this reporting error and notified the regulator. We have also made improvements to our procedures to ensure administrative errors of this nature do not occur in the future.

We are committed to meeting our performance and compliance reporting obligations, which we take seriously.

While other organisations, mining or otherwise, may not normally make a public statement about an administrative reporting error, we recognise the public interest in our Carmichael Project holds us to greater account.

We have chosen to make this statement today, with the expectation that people will recognise our commitment to act with integrity in our operations, and ask that we be treated like any other Australian mining company.

If we make an error we will own it and address it.

We are proud Queenslanders, passionate about the delivery of the Carmichael Project, knowing the benefits and opportunities it will deliver for our State. We are getting on with the job of delivering this important project for Queensland in an environmentally sustainable manner.

We recognise that there has been a significant amount of interest in our Carmichael Project. We know the production and use of coal as an energy source draws polarising views from across the globe and our project is often part of that discussion in Australia.

We recognise people want accurate information so they can make informed opinions and decisions on our industry.

It is in the spirit of continuing to build trust and confidence with the community that we make this statement today to provide the facts about this matter.

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FACT SHEET

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Due to an administrative paperwork error, disturbance to land on our Mining Lease caused by the following permitted activities was not included in our 2017/2018 Annual Return for the Carmichael mine.

We are required to provide the information as part of our general environmental reporting obligations.

The permitted activities that occurred during a three-and-a-half week period between 9 March 2018 and 2 April 2018 were:

- Clearing of land for drill pads and access tracks for six ground water test bores and five ground water monitoring bores. The land is on the Moray Downs pastoral lease, which is owned by Adani.
- For each bore we cleared a narrow vehicle access track to give access to a drill rig and support vehicles and an area less than the size of a tennis court around the drill hole, which is required as a workplace safety precaution.
- The photographs below give an example of the work.
- Between 148m² and 980m² was cleared for each track as some were longer than others
- Between 30m² and 270m² was cleared for each drill pad
- In total approximately 5.8 hectares were cleared. This is similar to the amount of land taken up by about 100 suburban houses in Brisbane.



These photos show examples of site clearing. This permitted activity should have been included in our 2017/18 Annual Return for the Carmichael mine.

The total area of disturbance prior to the reporting period (127 hectares, as set out in the Plan of Operations) should have been carried across.

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