

## **STATEMENT FROM ADANI MINING**

21 February 2019

The following statement can be attributed to an Adani Mining spokesperson:

"This is an extraordinary statement to have come from a Queensland Government representative.

"We have completed an eight year approval process for the Carmichael Project and we are waiting for The Queensland and Australian Governments to finalise the two outstanding management plans. Established industry practice indicates that the final review and approval of such plans typically occurs over a matter of weeks. We have provided all required information data and feedback needed for this process to be completed and accordingly we expect to have these plans approved in the very near term.

"We have certainty as to the process and timeframes from the Australian Government. We are however waiting on the Queensland Government to provide timing on their finalisation of the management plans. Once again the duration for the review, finalisation and approval of such plans typically is undertaken in a matter of weeks particularly given that over 18 months of pre-work and numerous iterations have already been undertaken prior to final approval.

"Adani Mining currently has equipment and staff onsite undertaking preliminary works within current approvals and is ready to commence construction as soon as the management plans are finalised.

"We continue to receive assurances from the Department of Environment and Science that no decision has been made yet on our management plans, and yet this statement suggests the exact opposite.

"This is another example of the Queensland Government shifting the goal posts for Adani. We just want a fair go so we can get on with delivering thousands of jobs for regional Queensland."

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