

## **Submission by MACH ENERGY-13 February 2024**

MACH Energy owns the Mount Pleasant Operation (MPO), the newest open cut coal mine in the Hunter Valley, and has been operating since December 2018 providing quality thermal coal products to both domestic and export customers. MACH Energy has approval to expand MPO to 21 million tonnes of ROM coal (approximately 16 million tonnes of product coal) and continue to operate until 2048. This approval was granted in September 2022. As part of the Hunter Valley coal chain, which consists of multiple producers, multiple rail service providers, two export terminals, three domestic consumers, and one federally controlled rail network, MACH Energy relies on the HVCCC to act as the impartial network coordinator to ensure our product is delivered to our customers in a timely and efficient manner. MACH Energy has one of the anticipated longest life coal mines meaning that the HVCCC will be an integral part of our business well into the future. The services provided by the HVCCC across capacity planning, operational planning and live run functionality provide an important function to all coal producers and associated service providers, and also enables the supply of fuel to the domestic generators. MACH Energy supports the HVCCC and their application for authorisation