

## **Mining Lease Applications – Olive Downs South Project**

### **Question 3 – Statement justifying application for whole surface area**

The Olive Downs South Project is a large scale open cut coal mine with a mine life in excess of 66 years. The entire surface area for each of the coal mining leases and specific purpose mining leases is sought to provide sufficient area for mining and location of supporting infrastructure and to provide appropriate control of the land which will be subject to operations. While the whole surface area has been applied for, the area of the leases has been kept to the area considered necessary to accommodate the safe conduct of the mining operations, having regard to the location of the resource and surrounding areas required for supporting infrastructure and operational purposes.