



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Statement by KEPCO Bylong Australia**

KEPCO Bylong Australia is deeply disappointed by the NSW Independent Planning Commission (IPC) decision regarding the Bylong Coal Project. We wish to put on record our commitment to the Project and our local area. KEPCO is particularly disappointed for all those people who supported the Project and had sought opportunities for jobs, particularly those in the Rylstone and Kandos areas where we know people are doing it tough.

KEPCO is currently closely reviewing the IPC's report to determine what options are available following the IPC's decision. KEPCO will continue to keep the community informed.

KEPCO will be relocating its Community Information Centre in Mudgee back onsite at Bylong. Our Community Liaison Officers continue to be available to talk to local community members and provide information about the Project.

KEPCO remains committed to the Project and would like to express its sincere appreciation to the many local people and organisations who have provided steadfast support throughout the lengthy approval process.

#### **ABOUT THE BYLONG COAL PROJECT:**

KEPCO Bylong Australia (KEPCO) proposes to develop the Bylong Coal Project, located approximately 55 km north-east of Mudgee and 53 km from Denman in New South Wales, Australia. The mine is likely to employ up to 665 people during peak construction and up to 470 people during peak operation. The Bylong coal mine proposes to recover up to 6.5 million tonnes of raw coal per annum, with open-cut operations commencing first and lasting approximately ten years (including 2 years decommissioning), and underground mining commencing thereafter.

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