

# GLENCORE

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## **Glencore welcomes greater certainty for Newlands coal complex**

Glencore notes that the Queensland Parliament has passed the *Land and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016*. Contained in the Bill were important amendments in relation to our Newlands coal mine and the QCoal Group's proposed Byerwen Project to enable both operations to successfully co-exist.

We welcome the amendments, which provide certainty for both companies and are in the best interests for local employment and the Queensland economy.

We have always maintained that our existing Newlands operation and the proposed Byerwen Project can successfully co-exist. Newlands employs 450 people and last year contributed \$250 million to the economy and \$26 million in royalties for the State Government.

We were disappointed this matter was unable to be resolved commercially, despite our repeated efforts to negotiate in good faith and reach a commercial agreement.

Over more than four years we have been in discussions with QCoal around land, access to water, their use of Glencore's worker accommodation in Glenden and our existing mining infrastructure such as our coal handling and preparation plant.

We have been lawfully mining at Suttor Creek since 2004, using the same registered access land and haul road linking Suttor Creek to the Newlands complex. The continued use of this road is essential to our ongoing mining operations

The Government's amended legislation is consistent with the recommendation of the Queensland Land Court to enable us to continue using this haul road in an area QCoal has publicly indicated it does not plan to mine until at least 2043.

## **Ends**

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## **Notes for Editors**

## **Glencore's coal business in Australia**

Glencore is one of Australia's largest coal producers with 13 mining complexes – including 17 operational mines – across New South Wales and Queensland.

We employ about 7,000 Australians and in 2016 managed the production of nearly 93 million tonnes of thermal and coking coal, predominantly for export.

We have a strong safety and environmental performance and play an active role in the development of low emission coal technology.

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