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Terminal 4 Project Reaches Next Planning Milestone

The Terminal 4 Project development application has been referred to the Planning Assessment Commission (PAC) by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment today – reaching another key milestone in the development approval process.

The PAC will undertake an independent review of the project's Environmental Assessment and related submissions and reports.

"This is an important milestone for the Terminal 4 Project," said Port Waratah's CEO Hennie du Plooy.

"The development approval process for this project is now approaching four years of rigorous assessment," he said.

"We look forward to this next step and the opportunity for an independent review of the proposal and assessment thus far.

"As it currently stands over 33 different assessments and studies have fed into the development application, with the project documentation on public exhibition for a total of 127 days.

"To date, we have received over 1400 formal public submissions on the project," he said.

Now that the Project has been referred to the PAC, a further 28 days of public exhibition are expected, including the opportunity for individuals and organisations to provide written submissions and presentations through public hearings.

"Projects of this scale require long lead times for approval and construction. Approval of this project now will position the Hunter Valley coal industry for opportunities that might arise in the future," said Mr du Plooy.

"By having a Terminal 4 master plan in place, certainty is created for the industry, businesses, community and government around what will happen on the site."

The Planning Assessment Commission is an independent body established under NSW planning legislation.

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After the PAC review, the Project application will progress to determination, which, if approved, will then require approval by the Commonwealth Government under the EPBC Act.

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- The Terminal 4 Project go to: www.planningforfutureopportunity.com.au

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