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REASONS FOR DECISION UNDER ENVIRONMENT EFFECTS ACT 1978

Title of Proposal:

Latrobe Briquette Manufacturing Facility

Proponent:

Auyin Property Development

Description of Project:

Auyin Property Development propose to develop a manufacturing facility to produce up to 300,000 tonnes of briquettes per year for export. The facility will use coal from the neighbouring Yallourn Coal Mine.

The proposed facility will be located on land formally used as a car park between the Yallourn Coal Mine, the disused Yallourn Power Station Administration Building and the Latrobe River.

Decision:

The Minister for Planning has decided that an Environment Effects Statement (EES) <u>is not required</u> for the Latrobe Briquette Manufacturing Facility as described in the referral accepted on 10 September 2009.

Reasons for Decision:

- The proposed facility would not cause significant adverse effects on on-site environmental values due to the transformation of the site by previous land uses.
- The proposed facility would not cause significant adverse effects on the environmental values of adjoining areas if best practice environmental management practices are applied to air emissions, noise and stormwater.
- The potential environmental effects of the project can be adequately assessed via the Works Approval process under the *Environment Protection Act 1970*, in accordance with applicable policies and related instruments.

Date of Decision:

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