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Request: Any correspondence Jane Coram sent to anyone at Geoscience Australia in March or April 2019 that relates to Adani’s groundwater management plans (the GDEMP or GMMP), about Adani’s responses to critiques by CSIRO or GA, or about summaries of any of the above matters prepared by the department of environment and energy

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Hi Richard and Catherine,
I hope all is going well back at GA.
For your information, Jane has shared the message below to our staff regarding today’s development around the Carmichael advice.
Regards
Adam Lee
Executive Officer
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From: Coram, Jane (L&W, Black Mountain)
Sent: Tuesday, 9 April 2019 5:03 PM
Subject: CSIRO Land and Water advice on Carmichael coal mine

Dear colleagues,
I just wanted to update you on the advice CSIRO Land & Water is providing around Carmichael coal mine in Queensland.
There has been a lot of media today around the Federal Government’s decision to approve the groundwater management plans for the mine. CSIRO has been named in a statement from the federal Environment Minister, as CSIRO and Geoscience Australia were asked to provide scientific advice on the plans.
Our report to the Department of the Environment and Energy has been released on the department website.
CSIRO has also released a statement on the CSIRO website about the scientific advice.
In part it says:
• CSIRO is of the view that Adani’s responses should satisfy the recommendations to update the groundwater models, and to address the modelling-related issues and concerns raised in the CSIRO-GA advice.
• CSIRO has noted that there are still components of the advice provided to the department that will need to be addressed through the approval of the research plan, which includes confirming the source aquifer of the Doongmabulla Springs.

I am proud that our researchers continue to provide robust scientific advice to policymakers on issues of national importance.
I will continue to keep you posted in my regular updates.
With regards, Jane
Jane Coram
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