To

The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP

Minister for the Environment and Heritage

PO Box 5341

Sydney NSW 2000

Re: “The Drip Gorge” - Goulburn River, Ulan via Mudgee

Dear Minister Upton

I wish to express my concerns over the delay in the transfers of the two areas of land in and around The Great Dripping Wall.

One is the strip of land that is Crown Land covering the visitor infrastructure area and walking track. This is currently managed under licence by the National Parks and Wild Life Service of NSW.

The second is the land currently under the ownership of Moolarben Coal Operations surrounding The Drip and on both sides of the river.

The deed of agreement gave them a period of 2 years to complete the transfer to a State Conservation Area by March 2017. This process seems to have stalled.

I would like to respectfully bring this to your attention and request that these matters be resolved.

It is commendable that the NSW Government has made a commitment to long term public management aiming to ensure the maintenance of public access and preservation of The Drip Gorge and its Great Dripping Wall.

The land in question is of critical importance for the protection and public access to The Drip Gorge and adjacent riparian corridor.

Please take action to ensure that the transfers be finalised and that all the lands be securely under the management of National Parks.

Yours Truly

*Please sign and print your name, address and post code*