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**Wallerawang Quarry MOD 2 (DA 344-11-2001) – Request for Comments and Recommended Conditions of Consent**

Dear Ingrid,

I refer to the Department of Planning and Environment – Resources Assessments (DPE – Resources & Assessment) email dated 18 October 2018 inviting the Resources Regulator to provide comments and recommended conditions of consent for Project **Wallerawang Quarry MOD 2**.

**Development Details**

The Wallerawang Quarry is an open cut operation located approximately 4 kilometres from Wallerawang, NSW. The Wallerawang Quarry MOD 2 proposes a 12 months time extension to the existing Development Consent. Quarrying operations at Wallerawang Quarry are currently permitted to 15 July 2019. The Modification seeks to extend this to 15 July 2020.

**Environment and Rehabilitation**

The Compliance Operations unit within the Resources Regulator has responsibility for providing strategic advice for environmental issues pertaining to the proposed project in so far as they relate to or affect rehabilitation.

The Resource Regulator has determined that sustainable rehabilitation outcomes can be achieved as a result of the project and that any identified risks or opportunities can be effectively regulated through the conditions of mining authorities issued under the *Mining Act 1992*.

The Resources Regulator notes an inconsistency in the SEE which may require clarification by the proponent. Specifically, the statement that MOD 2 will;

- “not require any changes to the approved operations and... would not result in any additional impact on the biophysical environment”,

appears inconsistent with changes in Table 5 – Summary of Rehabilitation, of the SEE which identifies that changes during the extended Mining Operations Plan (MOP) period will be:

- An increase in Domain 6I – ‘Open Cut Void – Final Void’ size from 1ha to 2ha.
- A decrease in Domain 6E – ‘Open Cut Void – Woodland’ size from 3ha to 2ha

- A decrease in Domain 9 - Conservation and Biodiversity Offset Areas from 27.3 ha to 26.3ha (Note - it appears this may be a duplicate area to the Domain 6E decrease, above).

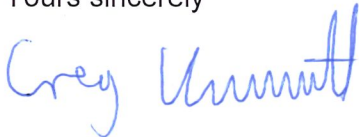
The Resources Regulator requests that condition 31 of DA 344-11-2001 be modified to ensure a revised Rehabilitation Management Plan (or equivalent Mining Operations Plan) be submitted to the Resources Regulator for approval within three months of the determination of Modification 2, unless the Secretary agrees otherwise;

The Resources Regulator requests that Walker Quarries Pty Ltd provide information responding to the comments above.

The Resources Regulator requests a review of the draft development consent conditions prior to finalisation and any granting of a revised development consent.

For enquiries regarding this matter please contact me on (02) 4063 6444 or [minres.environment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:minres.environment@planning.nsw.gov.au)

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Greg Munro'.

On behalf of  
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