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Department of Planning, Industry & Environment
12 Darcy Street
PARRAMATTA NSW 2150

Our ref: DOC21/993027
Your ref: SSI-8609189

17 November 2021

Dear Mr Heath

Subject: Upper South Creek Advanced Water Recycling Centre Project (SSI-8609189)

Thank you for your email of 19 October 2021. This is a response from the NSW Department of Regional NSW – Mining, Exploration & Geoscience (MEG) – Geological Survey of NSW (GSNSW).

MEG has reviewed the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Upper South Creek Advanced Water Recycling Centre and as no concerns to raise in relation to the project. MEG notes that the proposed path of the western treated water pipeline transects two Group 5 (structural /brick clay) Exploration Licences (EL) as follows:

EL8429 held by The Austral Brick Company Pty. Ltd.

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MEG requests that the proponent contact the EL holders for their information and awareness of the project and to determine their level of interest in the area. Current mining and exploration titles can be viewed on 'Minview' - MEG's online geoscience mapping application at the following URL:-

<http://www.regional.nsw.gov.au/meg/geoscience/minview>



MEG notes that Biodiversity Development Assessment Report accompanying the EIS indicates that biodiversity impacts will be offset in accordance with the NSW Biodiversity Offset Scheme through either the establishment of Biodiversity Stewardship Sites (BSS) or through securing credits from the open market. MEG requests consultation in relation to the establishment of any BSS to ensure there is no consequent sterilisation of mineral or extractive resources resulting from the establishment of a BSS.

Queries regarding the above information should be directed to the GSNSW - Land Use team at landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steven Palmer'.

Steven Palmer
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Geological Survey of NSW – Mining, Exploration & Geoscience.