

**Martin Brower Warehouse and Distribution Facility,  
Horsley Drive Business Park (SSD\_7078)  
Response to exhibition of Environmental Impact Statement**

I refer to your email dated 26 August 2015 requesting advice from the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) in respect to the above matter.

Comment by DPI Water

DPI Water has reviewed the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and provides the following comments:

The EIS notes that a draft copy of the EIS was sent to the Office of Water on 4 August 2015 and comments were requested but no comments have been received from DPI Water to date (see Section 5.3, page 35). DPI Water received this request from McKenzie Group (Andrew Cowan) on the 11 August 2015 which requested comments by 18 August on the draft EIS. On 13 August 2015, DPI Water sent an email reply to Andrew Cowan and DP&E and advised if McKenzie Group have any specific queries, concerns, or uncertainties in relation to the water components of the assessment, DPI Water would be happy to consider those targeted enquiries, but it would be undertaking a review on the EIS at the exhibition stage.

Groundwater

The SEARs for SSD-7078 (dated 24 June 2015) require an assessment of potential groundwater impacts associated with the development. In response, the EIS indicates that impacts on groundwater were considered under SSD-5169 (Horsley Drive Business Park) (Table 9, page 35). DPI Water does not appear to have previously received the SSD-5169 project for review.

The EIS notes only minor earthworks will be required to be completed over Lots 5 and 6 as the bulk earthworks for the Estate were approved under SSD-5169 (see Section 6.7.1, page 42). Should excavation intercept groundwater at the subject site DPI Water requests to be consulted for consideration of the need for a hydrogeological assessment and water entitlement requirements.

For further information please contact Janne Grose, Planning and Assessment Coordinator (Penrith office) on 8838 7505 or at [janne.grose@dpi.nsw.gov.au](mailto:janne.grose@dpi.nsw.gov.au).