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Dear Ms Burn

RE: Proposed Modification to Shoalhaven Starches Facility (MP 06_0228 MOD 16)

Thank you for consulting us with regard to the abovementioned major project modification. We understand that the proposal comprises construction of new industrial building and associated plant/machinery, new internal flour mill, silos and various site works/regularisations to facilitate the proposed upgrade. In response, we provide the following comments for your consideration with regard to flooding.

We note that the proposal will have some influence on flood behaviour and as such should be considered in line with the NSW Government's Flood Prone Land Policy as set out in the Floodplain Development Manual (2005). The proposed development is on land within the area covered by Shoalhaven City Council's adopted Lower Shoalhaven Floodplain Risk Management Plan 2008. Shoalhaven City Council is currently reviewing both the Lower Shoalhaven Floodplain Risk Management Plan and the hydrologic and hydraulic modelling of the area, which informs the plan.

In relation to floodplain risk management implications of the proposal, DPE should seek technical advice from Shoalhaven City Council as both holders of flood information and the entity with overall floodplain risk management responsibility for the Shoalhaven River floodplain.

It would also be useful to satisfy both Council's floodplain risk management responsibilities for the area and DPE's determination of future modifications at this site, for Council and DPE to actively collaborate on ensuring that each party's activities appropriately inform those of the other. If there are any complex technical flood issues arising, OEH flooding specialists remain available to assist with targeted advice to both Council and DPE upon request.

Please do not hesitate to contact Calvin Houlison, Senior Conservation Planning Officer, on 4224 4179 or via e-mail calvin.houlison@environment.nsw.gov.au should you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely

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