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**Subject:** RE: Hunter Valley Operations South - Modification 5 (MP 06\_0261)

Dear Megan,

I have had the opportunity to review this latest information and Singleton Council has been fully briefed on the proposed modifications by the proponent.

It is understood that the height of the out of pit emplacement area will increase, however the visual assessment undertaken reveals that with a more natural micro relief the impact on view corridors from any sensitive receptors is not significant. The implementation of progressive rehabilitation as soon as practical together with the lighting management measures will further mitigate impacts in this regard.

The noise and air quality assessments both conclude that the respective criteria are generally similar to the approved operations.

The Council is concerned to ensure that the final void is minimised and end land use is compatible with agreed sustainable environmental, economic and social outcomes.

Regards

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