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Attention: Andrew Hartcher

Our ref ER20531  
Your ref 09\_0025 MOD 1

Dear Mr Hartcher

### Orange Waste Project (09\_0025 MOD 1) – Exhibition Assessment

I refer to your letter dated 27 February 2012 requesting comments from the NSW Office of Water (Office of Water) on the publicly exhibited Orange Waste Project modification application. The Office of Water appreciates the opportunity to comment and supports the project based on consideration of the following comments:

- The Office of Water is of the understanding that the proposed modification involves amendments to the internal layout of the site with areas of additional disturbance not to be located within close proximity of sensitive water sources. The amendments have been assessed to not increase the potential for degradation of surface water or groundwater on the provision that mitigating measures proposed in the original approval are implemented.
- It is recommended preparation of the Soil and Water Management Plan be reviewed to reflect the proposed changes in the modification application in consultation with the Office of Water.

Should you have any further queries in relation to this submission please do not hesitate to contact Tim Baker on (02) 6841 7403 at the Dubbo office.

Yours sincerely

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