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Your ref: MP10_0144 Mod 1 and MP10_0108 Mod 1

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APPLICATION TO MODIFY CONCEPT PLAN (MP10_0144 MOD 1) AND PROJECT APPROVAL (MP 10_0108 MOD 1) – SHOALHAVEN STARCHES GAS PIPELINE PROJECT - INCREASE IN PIPELINE DIAMETER AND ASSOCIATED WORKS - PUBLIC AGENCY CONSULTATION

Dear Thomas,

Transport for NSW (TfNSW) refers to the notifications it received on 7 October 2021 regarding the above two Major Project (MP) applications.

TfNSW has completed an assessment of the information provided for both applications and notes:

- the key state classified road is the Princes Highway which the gas pipeline crosses (southern side of Pestells Lane). The Princes Highway is currently subject to upgrade works between Berry and Bomaderry;
- Bolong Road, which it is unclear from reviewing the information provided if the gas pipeline crosses, is a regional classified road managed by Council. TfNSW would issue its concurrence under Section 138 of the *Roads Act 1993* for works that impact upon Bolong Road provided Council is satisfied the design for the works is acceptable (taking relevant standards and guidelines into consideration);
- the application, in part, seeks to increase the diameter of the pipeline from DN 150 to DN 300. There is no change to the approved pipeline route;
- as some of the works proposed will affect the South Coast line heavy rail corridor, Sydney Trains has provided comments to TfNSW to enable a combined submission;
- The advice that has been previously provided by Sydney Trains and TfNSW on the original MP applications is contained in Appendix 2 (Statement of Commitments) under Items 13 and 15 respectively in the Concept Approval MP10_0144 and Appendix B (Statement of Commitments) under Items 13 and 15 respectively in the Project Approval MP10_0108;
- Energy Australia has a number of assets close to the Princes Highway road reserve in the vicinity of where the works are proposed. As such, TfNSW would suggest that comments be sought from Energy Australia; and
- the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPI&E) is seeking comments on the proposal including any amendments to existing conditions and/or new conditions.

Having regard for the above, TfNSW will not object to the currently submitted modification applications subject to any approval issued including conditions that address the matters detailed in **Attachment 1** (road relates matters) and **Attachment 2** (rail relates matters).

It is requested that any modified approvals issued ensure that both the TfNSW and Sydney Trains conditions are not consolidated with other conditions. This ensuring that the intent of the provided conditions is retained.

If you have any questions, please contact Andrew Lissenden on 0418 962 703.

Yours faithfully



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Road related matters

1. TfNSW advises that the conditions requested during the original Major Projects approvals MP10_0144 and MP10_0108, as associated with Roads and Maritime Services (RMS - letter dated 3 May 2012), should remain subject to the amendments detailed in Point 2 below.
2. It is requested that the additional requirements below be included in each of the amended consents should the modifications be approved.
 - a) TfNSW advises that any conditions/requirements that reference RMS should now reference TfNSW.
 - b) The wording for Action 15.3 in Appendix 2 (Statement of Commitments) of Concept Approval MP10_0144 and Action 15.3 in Appendix B (Statement of Commitments) of Project Approval MP10_0108 be updated to include the following additional requirement (the italics are new/additional requirements):

Shoalhaven Starches accept that longitudinal trenching is to be at a minimum of 0.6m whilst in the road reserve of the Princes Highway, as close to the road boundary as possible and not within 3.0m of the road formation or drainage structures/channels.

Underboring of the Princes Highway shall ensure that the pipe is located a minimum of 1.5m below the open drainage structure/channel on the western side. Before commencement of works within the Princes Highway road reserve discussions shall be had with the Berry to Bomaderry - Princes Highway upgrade project team (Jason Llyod (Project Manager/Engineer) – Ph: 8874 6834 or 0418 299 379 Email: Jason.Lloyd2@transport.nsw.gov.au).

Sydney Trains related matters

1. DPI&E is advised that Sydney Trains, via Instrument Delegation from the Secretary of Transport, has been delegated to act as the rail authority for the South Coast Line heavy rail corridor.

Sydney Trains advises the conditions requested during the original Major Projects approvals MP10_0144 and MP10_0108, as associated with RailCorp, should remain.

Sydney Trains also advises DPI&E that where any conditions, Statement of Commitments (item 13), or requirements for consultation, to be met are applicable to RailCorp; the Applicant shall obtain *written confirmation* from Sydney Trains that the condition, requirement or consultation, has been satisfactorily undertaken and met.

It is requested that this be included in the consolidated consent should the modification be approved.