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Attention: James McDonough

**EPA Advice on Environmental Impact Statement  
Dalswinton Sand and Gravel Quarry – SSD 9094**

Thank you for the request for advice from Public Authority Consultation (PAE-34155041), requesting the review by the NSW Environment Protection Authority (**EPA**) of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed expansion of Dalswinton Sand and Gravel Quarry (SSD 9094). The site is located at Lot 72 DP 1199484, and is subject to Environment Protection Licence (**EPL**) 12709 under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997*.

The EPA has reviewed the EIS and associated appendices, and notes that the EIS adequately provides the information required by the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements, dated August 2018. The proposal is not expected to result in any increase in environmental impact or other adverse impacts. The EPA does not object to the proposal to modify the consent.

The proposal is for:

- Increase in annual production rate to a maximum of 500,000 tonnes per year;
- Expansion of the allowable extraction area across 89 hectares, with up to 5 hectares of excavation area at any given time;
- Installation of a new sand washing treatment plant; and
- Approximately 60,000 tonnes of stockpiled materials stored on site.

Despite the significant increase in activity scale from the current average production rate of 80,000 tonnes per annum (to a maximum annual production of 500,000 tonnes per annum if approved), there is not expected to be a significant increase in environmental impact from the proposal if appropriate controls and mitigation measures are implemented.

The EPA considers that these controls and mitigation measures can be appropriately conditioned in the EPL. This will include air quality monitoring, groundwater and surface water monitoring and limits, noise monitoring, and other operational limits and reporting requirements. The EPA does not propose to include those potential licence conditions in this submission. If the proposal is approved the EPA will consult with the applicant separately about amendments to the EPL.

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