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Subject: **Shoalhaven Starches Mod 2 Realignment of Low Pressure Gas Pipeline (MP10_0144 & MP10_0108 Mod 2) Modification Report**

Dear Mr Bertwistle

I refer to your email of 1 April 2022 to the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) Water and the Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR) about the above matter.

The application is for the realignment of pipeline connecting pressure reduction facility and Shoalhaven Starches facility.

A post approval recommendation regarding water take and licensing is provided in Attachment A.

Any further referrals to DPE Water and NRAR can be sent by email to water.assessments@dpie.nsw.gov.au or to the following coordinating officer within DPE Water:

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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Liz Rogers".

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Attachment A

Advice to DPE Planning & Assessment regarding the Shoalhaven Starches Mod 2 Realignment of Low Pressure Gas Pipeline (MP10_0144 & MP10_0108 Mod 2) Modification Report

1.0 Water Take and Licencing

1.1 Recommendations – Post Approval

Should groundwater be intercepted a Water Access Licence (WAL) under the *Water Management Act 2000* must be obtained unless the take is less than or equal to 3ML of water per year for any aquifer interference activities listed in Clause 7 of Schedule 4 of the Water Management (General) Regulation 2018.

1.2 Explanation

The department notes that entitlement is required to account for water take that exceeds 3ML. For more information visit <https://www.dpie.nsw.gov.au/nrar/how-to-apply/water-licences/Groundwater>.

Insufficient information on water take has been provided to confirm if there will be groundwater inflows.

We note that an exemption for water take for less than 3 ML a year (Schedule 4 Clause 7 of the Water Management (General) Regulation 2018 may apply, but no estimations of water take volume have been provided to confirm the applicability of this exemption.

End Attachment A
