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**Subject: McPhillamys Gold Mine Project (SSD 9505) - Response to Submissions**

Dear Ms Mazaheri

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Response to Submissions (RTS) and Amendment Report (the Report).

WaterNSW has reviewed the RTS and Report and considers the proposed amendment is likely to have a negligible impact on water quality within Sydney drinking water catchment and WaterNSW lands, assets and infrastructure.

However, WaterNSW notes the RTS did not fully address WaterNSW's requests, particularly in relation to:

- a rehabilitation plan for the pipeline corridor, and
- a pipeline water management plan for pumping station 3 and the surrounding pipeline.

WaterNSW reiterates its previous comments, requesting the applicant to consult with WaterNSW in the preparation of the following documents:

- the construction stage erosion and sediment control plan for the section of mine water transfer pipeline within Sydney drinking water catchment
- the pipeline water management plan
- the consequence assessment of the tailing storage facility, including an emergency response plan for seepage and failure (in accordance with the NSW Dams Safety Committee guidance notes), and
- the rehabilitation plan for the pipeline corridor.

WaterNSW requests to remain as a stakeholder for the proposal and any updates to relevant plans. WaterNSW would also appreciate being notified when the application has been determined.

If you wish to discuss further, please contact Juri Jung on 9865 2503 or Justine Clarke on 9865 2402 or email at [environmental.assessments@waternsw.com.au](mailto:environmental.assessments@waternsw.com.au).

Yours sincerely

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