



March 6, 2013

ATTN: Manager – Industry, Mining & Industry Projects

RE: Crawfords Ammonium Nitrate Storage and Distribution Facility

SSD-5119

I have not made any political donations within the last two years.

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in support of Crawford Freightlines regarding their development application to store Ammonium Nitrate at their Sandgate NSW site.

Crawfords Freightlines status with Yara is as a third party provider specializing in the storage and distribution of Ammonium Nitrate.

Yara Australia imports significant amounts of Ammonium Nitrate as well as utilizing product that is deemed waste material by organizations that produce Ammonium Nitrate which are located within the area that Crawfords service. If you are unaware Ammonium Nitrate is a key fertilizer ingredient.

Therefore, our ability to manufacture fertilizer at our three production sites located at Moree, Leeton and Boundary Bend (which employ approx 30 people) is the availability of Ammonium Nitrate in industrial quantities. Yara, has limited storage capacity to store AN onsite and as such relies on Crawford's at Newcastle for its "bulk storage" requirements.

Due to seasonality and world pricing the amount stored at Crawford's can vary in accordance to maximizing purchases and meeting this seasonal demand. By utilizing Crawford's services the following is achieved

- Complete control of a secured substance (Customs to Crawfords) in a controlled environment
- As transport is on rail Ammonium Nitrate is kept off Sydney and Newcastle roads
- Ammonium Nitrate is kept out of populated areas
- It is stored at a specialised site with personnel appropriately trained in secure handling and storage of Ammonium Nitrate

We urge you to carefully consider and allow Crawford's to store Ammonium Nitrate. Failure to do so will no doubt hamper and significantly damage our operations whilst also hurting other parties such as the mining industry which also utilise the specialized services that Crawford's provide.

Thanking you for your time

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