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Dear Mr Knight

**Rix's Creek South Continuation Project (SSD 6300)  
Endorsement of Experts – Water Management Plan**

I refer to your request for the Secretary's endorsement of suitably qualified persons to prepare a Water Management Plan for the Rix's Creek South Continuation Project (SSD 6300).

The Department has reviewed the nominations and information you have provided and is satisfied that this expert is suitably qualified and experienced. Consequently, I can advise that the Secretary endorses the appointment of Mr Paul Ryall of Australasian Groundwater and Environmental Consultants to prepare the Water Management Plan, assisted by Ms Dianne Munro of Hansen Bailey.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Melanie Hollis on 8217 2043.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Sprott'.

Matthew Sprott  
A/Director  
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as nominee of the Planning Secretary