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Team Leader Environment - Approvals  
Santos NSW (Eastern) Pty Ltd

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**Water Management Plan (Phase 1) for Narrabri Gas Project (SSD-6456)**

Dear Ms. Dunlop,

I refer to the Water Management Plan and associated sub plans submitted in accordance with Schedule 2, Condition B41 of the Development Consent for Phase 1 of the Narrabri Gas Project (SSD-6456). I also acknowledge your response to the Department's review comments and requests for additional information.

I note the Water Management Plan has been prepared in consultation with the DPE Water, NSW EPA and the Water Technical Advisory Group.

The Water Management Plan also includes the following subplans:

- Erosion and Sediment Control Plan
- Site Water Balance
- Surface Water Management Plan
- Groundwater Management Plan
- Produced Water Management Plan, incorporating a Managed Release Protocol and Salt Management Plan
- Irrigation Management Plan
- Dust Suppression Protocol
- Pollution Incident Response Management Plan, and associated Dam Safety Emergency Plan

The Department has carefully reviewed these documents and is satisfied that they meet the requirements of the relevant conditions in the consent (SSD-6456).

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I have approved the Water Management Plan for Phase 1 (Revision 0D, 11 November 2022) including all sub-plans listed above.

The Department requires you to review and revise the Water Management Plan including all sub plans and resubmit to the Department for review and approval, via the Major Projects Portal, prior to commencement of Phase 2.

Please ensure you make the document publicly available on the project website at the earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S O'Donoghue', written in a cursive style.

Stephen O'Donoghue  
Director  
Resource Assessments  
As nominee of the Planning Secretary