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Attention: Mr Ashley Cheong

INDUSTRIAL DRIVE (A43): EXPANSION OF STOLTHAVEN BULK FUEL STORAGE AND DISPATCH FACILITY, MAYFIELD NORTH – EXHIBITION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (SSD 6664)

Dear Mr Cheong,

I refer to your letter dated 11 December 2014 requesting comment from Roads and Maritime Services regarding the Environmental Assessment for the subject development.

Roads and Maritime understands that the subject development relates specifically to increasing storage capacity and annual throughput of the existing facility from 500 ML per annum to 1010 ML per annum. The applicant, Stolthaven is proposing to relinquish the existing approval for the facility and have a new SSD approval issued which will cover all the existing and proposed elements of the site.

Roads and Maritime Responsibilities and Obligations

Transport for NSW and Roads and Maritime's primary interests are in the road network, traffic and broader transport issues. In particular, the efficiency and safety of the classified road network, the security of property assets and the integration of land use and transport.

In accordance with the *Roads Act 1993*, Roads and Maritime has powers in relation to road works, traffic control facilities, connections to roads and other works on the classified road network. Industrial Drive (A43) is a classified (State) Road. Roads and Maritime concurrence is required for connections to the road with Council consent, under Section 138 of the Act. Roads and Maritime consent is required for traffic control signals and facilities under Section 87 of the Act. Council is the roads authority for this road and all other public roads in the area. Should road works be required on the classified (State) road, Roads and Maritime would exercise the functions of roads authority under Sections 64 and 71 of the Act.

Roads and Maritime Response and Requirements

Roads and Maritime understands that the subject development is located within the confines of the Mayfield Port Terminal Facilities Concept Plan approved 10 July 2012 and modified on 17 March 2014.

Roads and Maritime has reviewed the information provided, including the Traffic Impact Assessment prepared by AECOM dated 8 December 2014, and has noted that the traffic generated by the subject development is well within the capacity limits, as stated in the Mayfield Port Terminal Facilities Concept Plan, that would trigger traffic monitoring and consideration of land use planning and development changes within the locality of the concept plan site.

Roads and Maritime has no objections to or requirements for the subject development. However, all matters contained in the Mayfield Port Terminal Facilities Concept Plan (MP09_0096) project approvals relating to road transport infrastructure upgrades still apply.

On the Minister's determination of this matter, it would be appreciated if a copy of the Project Approval is forwarded to Roads and Maritime for record and / or action purposes.

Should you require further advice please contact me on (02) 4924 0688.

Yours sincerely,



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