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**NSW Planning & Environment** Attention: Major Projects Sent via online portal

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Support for Stolthaven Mayfield Terminal Facility – Stage 3

I write to you in support of Stolthaven Mayfield Terminal – Stage 3 project.

The Daracon Group is comprised of multiple businesses that collectively provide an effective and integrated civil construction service to a wide cross section of public and private clients. Based locally in Wallsend, Daracon employs in excess of 860 people across NSW, the majority of who are based in the local Hunter region. Daracon Group endorses the next stage of this Facility, to provide fuels for major mining operations in the Hunter Valley and to a lesser extent, retail outlets across the Hunter / Central Coast region.

Our involvement to date has been as the Head Contractor for Stage One, Section One of the project contracted to perform Civil and Concrete works including but not limited to earthworks and site drainage system, construction of 4 tank compounds, fire access road, parking areas & entry roads, constructing of liquid retaining concrete bund wall, concrete truck gantry load area and exit road pavement to RMS standards. Please refer to attached Company Project Profile for project specific information.

We endorse the proposed future stage of the project for various reasons and strongly believe that due to changes in the NSW and Australian fuel market, specifically divestment of assets from major fuel companies, there has been a reduction in Australian supply capacity. In particular refinery closures in Sydney require refined fuels to be shipped into Sydney then trucked to Newcastle and the Hunter. In order to provide security of supply for its customers, it is important that Stolthaven has the ability to meet demand through the importation of refined fuel for direct supply to the market.

In summary Daracon supports Stolthaven Australia Pty Ltd in their bid to construct and operate additional fuel storage tanks and supporting infrastructure, on land adjoining the existing Facility, given a high level of demand in the market for bulk liquids and we believe a decision in the affirmative will not only benefit the Hunter Valley and Central Coast regions, but Daracon and our 860+ employees as well as the region more generally.

Yours faithfully

Managing Director

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## **Project Profile**

# Diesel Storage Facility Stage 1 – Civil & Concrete Works (1199)





#### Client

Stolthaven Australia Pty Ltd

#### **Project Description**

- Cut to Fill Earthworks and Site Drainage System.
- Construction of 4 tank compounds for 3 x Diesel tanks to each hold 18ML and 1 x Bio-Diesel Tank to hold 3ML. Construction included geo-synthetic clay liner, gravel placement, drainage, sealing and asphalt.
- Construction of Fire Access Road, Parking Areas, and entry roads.
- Construct 685m of liquid retaining concrete bund wall ranging from 0.2 3.1m in height.

- Construction of Concrete Truck Gantry loading area and Exit road pavement. Exit road pavement built to RTA freeway standard using R82 Lean Mix and R83 Concrete base specifications.
- Various slabs poured for bio-diesel tank, fire water tanks, fire pump houses, pig receivers, and piping duct plinths.

#### Site Location

Former BHP Site, Mayfield, NSW

#### Value

\$6.5M

#### Duration

47 Weeks

#### Referees

Mr Richard Farmer (Stolthaven) 0429 272 964

#### Significant Achievements

- On site water management working on contaminated ground in close proximity to Newcastle Harbour with no issues.
- Completion of Stage 1 tank pads 3 weeks ahead of program. This was a critical activity as the tanks were being shipped from Tasmania and the dates could not change.
- No Lost Time or Significant Injuries during the project.
- Installation of 1.2km of drainage lines using HDPE, PP, Mild Steel, Carbon Steel, Concrete, and Ductile piping.
- Poured 2,650m³ of concrete, laid 20,600m² of GC Liner, and placed 10,000t of DGB.

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