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Attention: Ms Swati Sharma

CORMORANT ROAD (MR108) / INDUSTRIAL DRIVE (MR316): PROPOSED CAPITAL STRATEGIC DREDGING PROJECT – EXHIBITION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (SSI 10-0203)

Dear Ms Sharma

I refer to your letter dated 26 March 2013 (your reference: SSI 10-0203) requesting comments from Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) regarding the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the subject project.

RMS Responsibilities and Obligations

Transport for NSW and RMS 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*, RMS has powers in relation to road works, traffic control facilities, connections to roads and other works on the classified road network. Cormorant Road (MR108) and Industrial Drive (MR316) are classified (State) roads. RMS concurrence is required for works, structures, and disturbances to, in, on, under or over classified roads, under section 138 of the Act, with Council consent. Council is the roads authority for these roads and all other public roads in the area.

RMS Requirements

RMS has reviewed the information provided and has noted that the majority of the 32,500 cubic metres of contaminated spoil material, that is not suitable for reuse within the Port of Newcastle or for sea dumping disposal will be transported by heavy vehicles. The majority of this material will be transported from the eastern end of Koorangang Island (Walsh Point) with a lesser amount from the Mayfield dredging sites.

Roads & Maritime Services

RMS has no objections to the proposed development provided the following matter is addressed and included in any Project Approval:

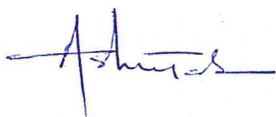
- A Traffic Management Plan (TMP) shall be prepared by the proponent, including a Vehicle Movement Plan and Traffic Control Plans, outlining details of all heavy vehicle movements generated by the project. The TMP shall be submitted to RMS and Council for review and acceptance prior to the transportation, by road, of any spoil material.

Comment: The TMP shall be prepared with an intension to minimise the impact of the heavy vehicle movements likely to be generated by the project on the operation of the classified road network.

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

Please contact me on 4924 0688 if you require further information.

Yours sincerely,



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