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Dear Joel,

**RE: New Maitland Hospital  
Response to Independent Audit Report (under SSI 9775 Stage 2 Conditions, SC2 C37)**

In accordance with Clause SC2 C34 of the State Significant Infrastructure (SSI) consent 9775, Health Infrastructure has received the 4<sup>th</sup> Independent Audit Report (IAR) from NGH Environmental and provides this response under Clause SC2 C38.

We have reviewed the IAR and note that the Independent Auditor, NHG Environmental, has identified 2 Non-Conforming conditions to which we provide the following responses:

Clause No.	Non-Conforming Conditions	Response
SC2-A28	<p>The Planning Secretary must be notified in writing to <a href="mailto:compliance@planning.nsw.gov.au">compliance@planning.nsw.gov.au</a> within seven days after the Proponent becomes aware of any non-compliance. The Certifier must also notify the Planning Secretary in writing to <a href="mailto:compliance@planning.nsw.gov.au">compliance@planning.nsw.gov.au</a> within seven days after they identify any non-compliance.</p> <p>Three non-compliances were raised in Audit # 3. Non-compliances and the proponent's response initial were submitted to planning on the 22 February 2021. As the audit report was finalised on the 9 February 2021 this is not within the required seven days.</p>	<b>Implemented</b> , HI will provide notification in line with A28 should non-compliances occur in future Audits.
SC2-A31 (a)	<p>Within three months of:</p> <p>(b) the submission of an incident report under condition A26 and A27;</p> <p>(c) the submission of an Independent Audit under condition C36 and C38;</p> <p>the strategies, plans and programs required under this approval must be reviewed, and the Planning Secretary and the Certifier must be notified in writing that a review is being carried out.</p>	<b>Implemented</b> , A further review will be required as a result of this Audit Report and Planning Modification 3. DPIE will be notified of this review and any future reviews in line with A31.

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	<p>A review of the CEMP was undertaken in March 2021 within three months of the submission of the January and February 2021 safety incidents, however DPIE was not notified of the review.</p> <p>A review of the CEMP was undertaken in March 2021 within three months of the submission of the independent audit, however DPIE was not notified of the review.</p> <p>No significant changes were required to the CEMP in response to the review undertaken in March 2021.</p>	

### Conclusion

Based on our review, the Independent Audit results represent a well-managed project in general as per conditions set out by the SSI 9775 Stage 2 Consent. NGH Environmental has identified one Non-Conforming condition relating to notifications and one Non-Conforming condition related to the Revision of Strategies, Plans and Programs. HI does not believe these Non-Conforming conditions present any risk or breach of consent to the development.

Please contact the undersigned if you require further information.

Yours sincerely,



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