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Dear Ms Burn,

**Re: SSD-33042483 - Manildra - Port Kembla Bulk Liquid Terminal**

Thank you for providing NSW Ports with the opportunity to comment on State Significant Development application SSD-33042483 for the development of a bulk liquid terminal at Port Kembla.

The proposed development is a port related development appropriately located in one of NSW's key international gateways. The proposal is consistent with long term strategic plans, statutory instruments, and will bring benefits to the wider region and NSW.

NSW Ports supports the proposed development.

The Project

Manildra are Australia's leading ethanol producer, including a range of grades for food and beverages, pharmaceuticals and personal care, industrial applications, and transport fuels through their Shoalhaven Starches Plant in Bomaderry. The facility is directly associated with the operation and intention of the proposed development, as it is intended to allow for the bulk storage and distribution / export of food and beverage ethanol produced in Bomaderry.

The facility is expected to have a throughput of approximately 250ML per year, with 50ML being distributed via ISO tanks to local market and 200ML expected to be transferred to ships at the existing Berth 206 for international export.

This project will utilise existing unutilised land in the Port and will utilise existing infrastructure by exporting via Berth 206. This proposal is for a port development in an existing port and is entirely consistent with long term strategic objectives.

A rigorous Environmental Impact Statement has been undertaken and it has been sought on all levels to ensure that any potential offsite impacts are minimised to the extent necessary as to not cause significant harm or nuisance to the surrounding area.

NSW Ports Master Plan

In October 2015 NSW Ports released *Navigating the Future: NSW Ports' 30 Year Master Plan*. This long-term Master Plan identified measures for supporting the efficient and sustainable movement of goods within Sydney and to and from regional NSW.

It identified Port Kembla as NSW's port of growth that will cater for a growing range of trades, including bulk liquids.

The proposed development is aligned with NSW Ports' long term strategic planning including our 30 Year Master Plan. The proposed development contributes to Port Kembla's growth and the economic growth of the Illawarra Shoalhaven region more broadly.

#### Illawarra Shoalhaven Regional Plan 2041

In May 2021 the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) released the *Illawarra Shoalhaven Regional Plan 2041* (the Regional Plan). The Regional Plan sets the strategic framework for the region, aiming to protect and enhance the region's assets and plan for a sustainable future.

Objective 3 of the Regional Plan is to grow the Port of Port Kembla as an international trade hub and as the Regional Plan identifies, the diverse commodity base of the Port today reflects the growth of the region.

The proposed development is consistent with the Objectives of the Regional Plan as it will grow the Port of Port Kembla as an international trade hub.

#### State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021

The subject site is zoned SP1 Special Activities Zone under *State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021*. The proposal is consistent with the Objectives of the SP1 Zone as:

- the proposed development is industrial in nature and is directly associated with the operation of the port, noting that the intent of the development is to support sipping from within the port environment,
- the intent of the development is to improve the efficiency of shipping ethanol produced by the proponent within the port environment, through use of a pipeline and reducing the trucking distance from Bomaderry, and
- the location of the premises provides adequate separation from nearby sensitive land uses.

#### Social Benefit

Once operational, it is expected that the facility would provide approximately 15 full time equivalent roles associated with the operation of the premises.

It is also worth noting that the proponent contributes to the broader community through the establishment of the Manildra Foundation, which supports trusted organisations such as the Breast Cancer Network Australia, Foodbank and Farming for Kids. Further, Shoalhaven Starches provides support to local organisations such as schools and sporting organisations.

NSW Ports supports the proposed development for approval.

Should you wish to discuss this submission further please do not hesitate to contact me on 0498 877 088 or at [Greg.Walls@nswports.com.au](mailto:Greg.Walls@nswports.com.au).

Yours sincerely,



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