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Dear Ms Dean-Jones

Certification of Mount Owen Continued Operation Soil Assessment

I am satisfied that the *Mount Owen Continued Operation Soil Assessment* complies with the requirements for such assessments as defined in the various NSW Government publications, in particular *Interim protocol for site verification and mapping of biophysical strategic agricultural land* and *Agricultural Impact Statement technical notes*.

My certification of the soil assessment is based on my ongoing involvement with the project. This included the planning of the sampling strategy, attending field work for a full day to ensure sampling methodology and data recording were adequate, and ongoing consultation in the preparation of the report. I have reviewed the survey report thoroughly, including checking the soil descriptions and classification, and the analytical data. The comments I provided have been incorporated to my satisfaction. As such, I believe the report provides a methodical and reliable record of soil conditions in the survey area following a well planned and thorough field investigation. Considerable care has been taken to comply with NSW Government agency requirements for sampling strategy and soil data collection, and the conclusions regarding Biophysical Strategic Agricultural Land are sound.

I hereby certify that the report is a true and accurate account of the soils in the Mount Owen Continued Operation survey area, and the conclusions regarding Biophysical Strategic Agricultural Land are valid.



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