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Your Reference: DA 250-09-01 (MOD 5)
Our Reference: OUT17/14345

Dear Tertius,

Re: Exhibition of Modification Request – Old Northern Road Quarry – Modification 5

Thank you for the opportunity to provide advice on the subject proposal. This is a response from NSW Department of Planning & Environment – Division of Resources & Mining, Geological Survey of New South Wales (GSNSW).

The building and construction industries in NSW require ongoing replacement of supplies as sources are exhausted. The expansion of existing quarries, subject to environmental assessment, helps to ensure a continued supply of material for a range of building and construction uses in NSW. The resource in the subject area represents a regionally important source of construction sand for the Greater Sydney area.

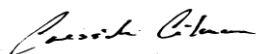
GSNSW has previously provided advice on the subject proposal stating that sufficient information has been provided to demonstrate the presence of a substantial resource of sand and sandstone. GSNSW encourages maximum resource utilisation within existing quarries and therefore has no resource related issues to raise in regard to the proposed modification.

The Division of Resources and Mining collects data on the quantity of construction materials produced annually throughout the State. Forms are sent to all operating quarries at the end of each financial year for this purpose. The statistical data collected is of great value to Government and industry in planning and resource management, particularly as a basis for analysing trends in production and for estimating future demand for particular commodities or in particular regions. Production data may be published in aggregated form, however production data for individual operations is kept strictly confidential.

In order to assist in the collection of construction material production data, the proponent should be required to provide annual production data for the subject site to the NSW Division of Resources and Mining as a condition of any new or amended development consent.

Queries regarding the above information, and future requests for advice in relation to this matter, should be directed to the Division of Resources & Mining - Land Use team at landuse.minerals@industry.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cressida Gilmore', written in a cursive style.

Cressida Gilmore
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