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Christine - this is the proposed wording of the Department of Primary Industries letter.

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Bald Hill quarry landfill modification (DA 262-09-01 MOD 2) - Environmental Assessment

I refer to your email of 8 June 2012 to the NSW Office of Water (Office of Water), an agency within the Department of Primary Industries, advising of the public exhibition of the above Environmental Assessment (EA). I note that no other referral to the Department of Primary Industries was made by your Department.

The Office of Water has reviewed the EA and has no objection to the proposed modification. The Office is satisfied that the current water management controls will address the proposed increase in waste input and no issues were identified in the assessment which required further comment. For further information on this matter, please contact Tim Baker, Senior Planning and Assessment Coordinator (Dubbo office) on 6841 7403, or email at: tim.baker@water.nsw.gov.au.

Comment has been sought from Agriculture NSW in respect to the implications of the resultant landfill to the achievement of earlier conditions of approval relating to rehabilitation, on completion of quarrying operations, to a standard suitable for on-going productive agricultural use. It is noted that the EA does not propose any change in this regard from the original application in 2001. However, these provisions are now some 10 years old and should be re-considered as part of the assessment of the current application. In this regard the Department is referred to the 2010 Agriculture NSW guideline on agricultural issues arising from landfill developments. Note that this guideline also provides advice on appropriate management of the landfill operation itself to ensure appropriate control of weed and other pest impacts to surrounding agricultural production. Refer to:

 $http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/\_\_data/assets/pdf\_file/0011/358985/Agricultural-issues-for-land fill-developments.pdf$ 

. For further information on this matter, please contact Wendy Goodburn, Resource Management Officer (Goulburn office) on 4828 6636 or by email at: Wendy.Goodburn@dpi.nsw.gov.au.

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