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Dear Ms Munk.

## Berrima Cement Works (DA 401\_11\_2002 Mod 9) Proposed Modification

I refer to your email dated 30 July 2015 requesting advice from the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) in respect to the above matter.

## Comment by DPI Water

DPI Water has reviewed the Environmental Impact Assessment accompanying the modification request and provides the following comments.

The SEARs for the proposed modification require the Environmental Assessment (EA) to consider potential surface water and groundwater impacts that could result during construction (see Table 1 of EA, page 11). Table 1 indicates these potential impacts are addressed in the EA but the EA provides no details on surface water and groundwater impacts. Based on the information provided it is unclear if the proposal is likely to intercept groundwater and require dewatering; use surface water or groundwater as a water supply source; or pollute/degrade groundwater and surface water during construction etc.

Section 8 of the EA notes a Construction Environmental Management Plan would be prepared prior to commencement of construction and it would address "protocol to deal with identification of groundwater" but the EA provides no other details and it is unclear what is meant by this statement.

It is recommended the proponent provides an assessment of potential surface water and groundwater impacts in accordance with the SEARs. For further information please contact Janne Grose, Planning and Assessment Coordinator (Penrith office) on 8838 7505 or at <a href="mailto:janne.grose@dpi.nsw.gov.au">janne.grose@dpi.nsw.gov.au</a>.

DPI Fisheries, DPI Agriculture and Crown Lands have no comment regarding the proposed modification.

Yours sincerely

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