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Attention: Joe Fittell

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EPA Advice on Environmental Impact Statement

Dear Mr Fittell

Thank you for the request for advice from Public Authority Consultation (PAE-11238796), requesting the review by the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed Mount Owen Continued Operations Project – Realignment of Narama Pipeline (Application SSD 5850) at Mount Owen Complex.

The EPA has reviewed the *Mount Owen Continued Operations Project Modification 6, Modification Report, Final, November 2020* prepared by Umwelt Environmental & Social Consultants.

The EPA understands the proposal is for:

- Upgrade and realign the Narama Pipeline between Mount Owen and Ravensworth;
- Upgrade existing access roads and establish laydown areas to facilitate construction of the realigned pipeline; and
- Install a new pumping station at the Mount Owen Complex.

Based on the information provided the project has negligible impacts that will be able to be managed within the current Environment Protection Licence 4460 (the Licence). If the project is approved the Licence will require variation to include the pipeline.

The EPA recommends the following conditions of approval:

Development

1. The proponent must undertake the development in accordance with the environmental assessment titled “Mount Owen Continued Operations Project Modification 6 Modification Report” prepared by Umwelt dated November 2020 and must apply for a variation to Environment Protection Licence 4460 to add the pipeline to the Licensed premises prior to construction activities being commenced.

Waste

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2. The Proponent must, as far as possible, follow the waste hierarchy principles contained within the *Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Act 2001* when dealing with any waste generated at the premises.
3. The Proponent must assess and classify any waste generated at the premises in accordance with the "Waste Classification Guidelines – Part 1: Classifying waste", as in force from time to time, and manage this waste in a lawful manner.

Water

4. The Proponent must comply with section 120 of the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997*.

Sedimentation and Erosion Control

5. Prior to the commencement of any surface disturbance and/or construction activities, the Proponent must install and maintain appropriate erosion and sediment control measures at the premises in accordance with the publication *Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and construction – Volume 1* (Landcom, 2004) and *Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and construction – Volume 2A, Installation of Services* (DECC, 2008).

If you have any questions about this request, please contact Jenny Lange on 4908 6891 or via email at hunter.region@epa.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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