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Dear Ms Barnet

Glendenning Liquid Waste Treatment Facility (SSD 6767) Comment on the Environmental Impact Statement

I refer to your letter/email dated 13 April 2016 to the Department of Primary Industries in respect to the above matter. Comment has been sought from relevant divisions of DPI. Any further referrals to DPI can be sent by email to <u>landuse.enquiries@dpi.nsw.gov.au</u>.

DPI has reviewed the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and provides the following comments:

The EIS indicates the proposed buildings and works are within 40 m of a watercourse that is listed in the document as a first order stream. DPI Water guidelines require a 10 m wide riparian corridor setback (measured from top of bank) to be provided along either side of first order watercourses. However it is unclear if any of the 10 m wide riparian corridor is located within the site, or if any of the proposed works will be located within the 10 m wide corridor. This should be clarified by the proponent.

Appendix 11 notes there is no proposal to undertake any works within the riparian zone (page 12) but it is unclear if this comment is in relation to the 10 m wide riparian setback or the existing riparian width. The appendices provide differing details on the existing riparian width and further details are required to clarify this, for example:

- Appendix 11 refers to the existing riparian zone width of 6-8 m (page 11)
- Appendix 13 notes 'the northern riparian zone is an exposed 7-10 m wide revegetated batter" (see Section 1.3, page 2)
- Appendix 13 notes the southern riparian zone is 8-12m wide (see Section 1.3, page 2)

Clarification is required as to whether any of the existing northern or southern riparian zone is located on the site, or if the riparian zone is entirely outside the site.

In order to clarify the issues outlined above the proponent should provide a scaled plan that shows the location of:

- the watercourse
- top of bank

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- the site boundary
- the proposed works

- the existing riparian corridor width
- the 10 m wide riparian corridor

For further information please contact Janne Grose, Water Regulation Officer, 02 8838 7505, janne.grose@dpi.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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