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Planning Department

NSW Department of Planning and Environment

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Martins Creek Quarry Project SSD 14_6612 - Letter of Support

Aran expresses support for the Martins Creek Quarry Project.

Aran has been a supplier of Pugmills and related equipment to Daracon for over 25 years. In addition, we also provide Daracon with parts and servicing.

It is our understanding that Daracon employs approximately 800 people which indicates the importance of the Daracon business to the Hunter Region, they are also Aran's largest and most valued customer in Australia. They have been a critical part of our growth and product development.

Martins Creek Quarry has been in operation for close to 100 years, during which, it has provided quarry products for road construction and maintenance, rail construction and maintenance, housing developments, airport runways and has employed hundreds of local employees over its lifetime.

Over the coming years, all indicators show that the Hunter Region is due to grow and to service this growth; Martins Creek Quarry will play an important role in supplying hard rock material in construction projects. Should Martins Creek Quarry Project terminate, the Hunter Region risks losing one of only three suppliers in the region capable of providing the high quality rock required to meet government standards. It will also significantly affect our business.

Our business confirms its support for the Martins Creek Quarry Project along with Daracon's relentless efforts to operate in a responsible and sustainable manner..

Sincerely,

Aran Australia Pty Ltd.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Dunstan".

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