Your reference: Our reference: Contact:

DOC09/44829; LIC07/628-04 Karen Marler: (02) 49086803

Transpacific Refiners Pty Ltd PO Box 246 RUTHERFORD NSW 2320 Attention: Mr Ray Carson

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Dear Mr Carson

Licence Variation Application - Request to increase solid particle emission limit at Point 19

I refer to a letter dated 26 August 2009 and received by the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (DECCW) on 15 September 2009 from Mr Grahame Taylor of AECOM. This letter includes a licence variation application form for Environment Protection Licence (EPL) 12555 seeking to increase the solid particle emission limit at Point 19 from 10mg/m³ to 50 mg/m³.

The Project Approval issued by the Department of Planning specifies a solid particle emission limits at Point 19 of 10 mg/m³. Section 75V of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act* (1979) and Section 50 of the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* prevent DECCW from varying your EPL to permit an activity which is inconsistent with a development approval. I therefore suggest that you contact the Department of Planning to resolve this issue.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Karen Marler on (02) 49086803.

Yours sincerely

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