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Mining and Industry Projects
NSW Department of Planning and Environment
GPO Box 39
SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Colin Phillips,

NELSON BAY ROAD (B63): SECTION 75W MODIFICATION OF ACCESS TO MACKA'S SAND PROJECT, LOT 218 DP 1044608 (08_0142 MOD 2)

Reference is made to traffic modelling and supporting information provided by proponent, Umwelt Australia Pty Ltd, on 18 November 2015 in response to comments provided by Roads and Maritime Services (Roads and Maritime) to the Department of Planning and Environment on 15 September and 15 October 2015 in accordance with Clause 16 of the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Mining, Petroleum Production and Extractive Industries) 2007*.

Roads and Maritime response

Roads and Maritime has reviewed the information provided including VIISM traffic modelling and supporting documentation. It is noted that the proponent has sought to increase the number of heavy vehicle movements per hour between 5am to 7am from 28 (14 in / 14 out) and 16 (8 in / 8 out) respectively to 48 (24 in / 24 out) per hour.

Roads and Maritime maintains objection to any increase in truck movements during the AM peak traffic period of 6am to 9am due to the volume of southbound traffic and the limited opportunity for safe merge movements. An increase in truck movements outside this peak morning period may be supported, in accordance with recommendations made in Roads and Maritime's correspondence dated 15 September 2015 provided below, including the proposed 48 traffic movements (24 in / 24 out) between 5am and 6am:

Monday to Friday	Transportation Period	RMS Supported Truck Movements per hour
	5am to 6am	48 (24 in / 24 out)
	6am to 9am	16 (8 in / 8 out)
	9am to 10pm	48 (24 in / 24 out)

Saturday	Transportation Period	RMS Supported Truck Movements (per hour)
	5am to 6am	No change requested
	6am to 7am	18 (9 in / 9 out)
	7am to 4pm	48 (24 in / 24 out)

Advice to the Department

Should the proponent seek to modify the proposed truck movements at a later date, Roads and Maritime is willing to undertake further assessment on receipt of additional information.

As noted in advice provided on 15 September 2015, Roads and Maritime, on behalf of Transport for NSW, are developing a Corridor Strategy for Nelson Bay Road. The purpose of the Corridor Strategy is to make planning and investment decisions transparent to the community, councils and other government agencies. The strategy, a draft of which is planned to be finalised mid-2016, will set out the NSW Government's 20 year plan to manage and guide the development of Nelson Bay Road to improve safety, traffic efficiency and sustainability. An opportunity will be available for the community to provide feedback on the draft corridor strategy.

On the Ministers determination of this matter, please forward a copy of the Project approval to Roads and Maritime for record and / or action purposes. Should you require further information please contact Martin Jenkins on 4924 0267 or by email at development.hunter@rms.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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