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Jessie Giblett Planning Officer NSW Department of Planning & Infrastructure GPO Box 39 SYNDEY NSW 2001

Dear Ms Giblett

Thank you for your letter of 12 December 2013 concerning the modification application and review of the Environmental Assessment for the Gloucester Gas Project – Pipeline Realignments (MP 08\_0154 MOD 1).

The Office of Agricultural Sustainability & Food Security has reviewed the EA provided by EMGA Mitchell McLennan Pty Ltd in November 2013. The Office is satisfied with the information and commitments presented in the documentation provided by the proponents. The proposed modification is relatively minor and would be likely to have minimal adverse socio-economic impacts on agricultural resources and the agricultural community. As long as the commitments made by the proponents are implemented, the project will have very minimal impact to agriculture.

This advice from the Office of Agricultural Sustainability & Food Security is forwarded direct to the Department of Planning & Infrastructure in accordance with agreed arrangements for mining applications that affect agricultural land. It includes comments provided by officers in Agriculture NSW and NSW Trade & Investment. Additional advice from the other divisions within the Department of Primary Industries may be forwarded by separate letter.

If you wish to discuss the issue further please call Rob Williamson on telephone 02 6391 3166 or by email <u>robert.williamson@dpi.nsw.gov.au</u>

Yours sincerely

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