

24 September 2014

Ms Carolyn McNally
Secretary
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Dear Ms McNally

**Gloucester Gas Stage 1 Project & Concept Plan
Tomago Receiving Station & Minor Pipeline Realignment Modification
MP 08_0154 MOD 1**

I refer to the Executive Director's letter dated 19 September 2014 referring the above project to the Planning Assessment Commission for determination under Ministerial delegation.

I constituted the Commission for this project.

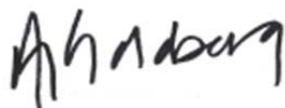
I note that there were no public or special interest group submissions however there were 8 submissions from public authorities (including Maitland City Council and Port Stephens Council). No public agency, including either Council, raised objection to the project modification proposal, which was overall considered to be minor with a reduced overall impact in some areas.

The Commission considered the application and notes that the matters raised by the public authorities have all been considered by the Department in their Assessment Report. The Department supports the project modification and therefore recommends approval subject to conditions.

The Commission is satisfied that the assessment report has considered potential impacts including hazard risks, biodiversity and noise. The recommendation for approval subject to conditions is considered to be reasonable, and the project modification is accordingly approved as recommended subject to conditions.

The file and signed instruments of approval are returned.

Yours sincerely



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