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Mr Ian Hill
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Dear Ian

RE: Review of landscape Plan – Proposed Industrial Development 431 (lot 32) Masonite Road, Heatherbrae

As discussed, this letter is to formally acknowledge a review of the landscape plan that forms part of a Part 3A application for the above site. The plans reviewed were Drawings A22 – 25 (rev 08, dated 24 June 2010), prepared by Geoff Craig and Associates on behalf of Sandvik. The plan was reviewed by myself, a Registered Landscape Architect (no. 719).

The level of detail for a landscape plan for a Part 3A assessment such as this would normally be expected to be at a broad level of detail, comparable to a concept plan. More detail would then be expected at the next stage of the approval process when site planning has been further refined as part of the Part 3A process. The plan has therefore been reviewed with that in mind, and at this stage found to be suitable for its purpose, that is to satisfy the requirements of the Part 3A process.

Review conclusions

In general the review has confirmed the following, which are supported:

- Plant species are generally suitable for this location, and are all native species, including some local native trees
- The plan allows for suitable screening to surrounding properties and Masonite Road
- The plan notes that the existing vegetation on the site is to be retained where possible
- As required, two hollow-bearing trees have been retained and noted on the plan.

Recommendations for next stage

This review recommends that:

- During the next stage attention is directed towards conserving as much of the on-site vegetation as possible. To achieve this outcome levels around existing vegetation need to remain unaffected wherever possible and existing drainage patterns that affect existing vegetation should be kept as close as possible to the natural patterns.
- Weed management of vegetation areas to be retained should be undertaken.
- Infiltration ponds should be appropriately landscaped.

Therefore, in conclusion, in general the landscape plan for this part 3A stage has been found to be satisfactory, subject to further refinement at the next stage that takes into account the recommendations included in this letter.

Yours sincerely



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