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Dear Ms Fu

**New Maitland Hospital – Stage 2 (SSI-9775)
EIS Exhibition**

I refer to your email of 5th July 2019 to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) – Lands, Water and Department of Primary Industries (DPI) about the above matter.

The following advice for you to consider is from relevant branches of Lands, Water and DPI. Please note DPIE - Crown Lands and the Department of Primary Industries advice has already been sent in a separate response.

DPIE – Water and Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR)

The SEARs requested a detailed and consolidated site water balance. This does not appear to be addressed in the EIS. It is noted that potable water will be used when the hospital is operational, but a better understanding of the proposed water used on site during the construction process is required.

The proponent will need to provide a detailed and consolidated site water balance.

Note: disposal of produced groundwater may require EPA approval due to the presence of background heavy metals.

Any further referrals to DPIE – Lands, Water and DPI can be sent by email to:
landuse.enquiries@dpi.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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