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Emailed: via Major Projects Portal

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Dear Mr McDonough

Subject: Hanson Tweed Sand Plant Expansion (SSD-10398) - Exhibition

Thank you for the opportunity to provide advice on the above matter. This is a response from the NSW Department of Regional NSW – Mining, Exploration & Geoscience (MEG) – Geological Survey of NSW (GSNSW).

MEG has reviewed the Environmental Impact Statement for the above matter and has no concerns with the proposed expansion.

MEG collects data on the quantity of construction materials produced annually throughout the State. Forms are sent to all operating quarries at the end of each financial year for this purpose. The statistical data collected is of great value to government and industry in planning and resource management, particularly as a basis for analysing trends in production and for estimating future demand for particular commodities or in particular regions.

Production data may be published in aggregated form, however production data for individual operations is kept strictly confidential. MEG requests that the proponent be required to provide annual production data for the site as a condition of any new or amended development consent.

Queries regarding the above information should be directed to the GSNSW - Land Use team at <u>landuse.minerals@geoscience.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely,

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