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Department of Planning, Industry and Environment Returned via the Major Projects Portal

Attention: Mr James McDonough

16 December 2021

Dear Mr McDonough

Planning Referral – Buttai Gravel Pty Ltd (Daracon Group) (Martins Creek Quarry Project) SSD-6612

Thank you for the invitation from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) sent to the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) on 19 November 2021 seeking comment on Buttai Gravel Pty Ltd's (Proponent) Response to Submissions Report for the Martins Creek Quarry Project (SSD-6612).

The EPA has reviewed the Response to Submissions Report titled "Martins Creek Quarry Extension Project, Revised Project Submissions Report" prepared by Umwelt (Australia) Pty Limited on behalf of the Proponent dated November 2021 and notes (in respect of the EPA's area of responsibility):

- The Project has been revised to address previous EPA concerns, particularly in relation to potential noise and air impacts.
- The Revised Project Submissions Report generally addresses the EPA's concerns regarding potential noise, air and water impacts.
- The Summary of Management and Mitigation Measures at Appendix 2 of the Revised Project Submissions Report are considered to be appropriate and should be incorporated into conditions of approval.
- Appropriate conditions can be instituted to address the environmental risks proposed by the Project. The EPA is not in a position to provide recommended conditions of approval at this time but is able to work with DPIE on such conditions.

The Martins Creek Quarry is subject to Environment Protection Licence 1378 (Licence) issued by the EPA under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* (POEO Act) for the scheduled activities of extractive activities and crushing, grinding and separating. If the Proposal is approved, the Licence will require variation to account for any potential expansion of operations at the premises.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact me on 4908 6830 or by email at <u>EPA.Northopsregional@epa.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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