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Dear Ms Hawkeswood

**Port Kembla Lateral Pipeline Modification 1
Modification Report**

I refer to your email of 14 May 2020 to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) Water and the Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR) about the above matter.

The following recommendations are provided by DPIE Water and NRAR. Please note Crown Lands, the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) – Fisheries and DPI - Agriculture all now provide a separate response directly to you.

- The proponent should describe how the proposed works will impact on waterfront land, including detail of locations where the pipeline will cross watercourses. The proponent should then identify any mitigation methods to minimise these potential impacts.
- The proponent should identify any water take required for the project and/or any dewatering requirements. If any groundwater and/or surface water take is identified, the proponent should provide a site water balance to identify the amount of water required for the project and where the project proposes to obtain this water. This includes how they will acquire any entitlements (in accordance with the *Water Management Act 2000*), if required.
- In regard to licensing, the report advises: *"Depths to groundwater in the proposed modification project area are likely to vary between 5 and 10 m below ground level. The requirement for a water licence will be determined prior to construction"*. It is noted that if the take of water is forecast to exceed 3ML/yr, the requirement for a water licence would be triggered.

Any further referrals to DPIE – NRAR & Water can be sent by email to:

landuse.enquiries@dpi.nsw.gov.au.

Any further referrals to (a) Crown Lands; (b) DPI – Fisheries; and (c) DPI – Agriculture can be sent by email to: (a) lands.ministerials@industry.nsw.gov.au;
(b) ahp.central@dpi.nsw.gov.au; and (c) landuse.ag@dpi.nsw.gov.au respectively.

Yours sincerely

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