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**Subject: McPhillamys Gold Mine Project (SSD 9505)**

Dear Ms Clémentine

Thank you for Department's correspondence dated 6 September 2019 seeking WaterNSW's comments on Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) of McPhillamys Gold Mine Project (SSD-9505).

WaterNSW notes that the proposed development includes a part of the mine water transfer pipeline construction within the Sydney drinking water catchment, as specified in the State Environmental Planning Policy (Sydney Drinking Water Catchment) 2011 and the mine development near Carcoar Dam, which is WaterNSW's infrastructure and asset. These aspects of the Project only are of interest to WaterNSW.

WaterNSW has reviewed the EIS and considers the proposed development is likely to have a negligible impact on water quality within Sydney drinking water catchment and WaterNSW lands, assets and infrastructure, provided that appropriate mitigation measures are incorporated into the design, construction, and operations and implemented.

WaterNSW requests that the following documents are prepared in consultation with WaterNSW:

- the consequence assessment of the tailing dams in accordance with the NSW Dams Safety Committee guidance notes
- the construction stage erosion and sediment control plan of the section of mine water transfer pipeline within Sydney drinking water catchment
- the pipeline water management plan, and
- the rehabilitation plan of the pipeline corridor.

WaterNSW requests to remain as a stakeholder for the proposal and any updates to relevant plans. WaterNSW would also appreciate being notified when the application has been determined.

If you wish to discuss further, please contact Juri Jung on 9865 2503 or Justine Clarke on 9865 2402 or email at [environmental.assessments@watarnsw.com.au](mailto:environmental.assessments@watarnsw.com.au).

Yours sincerely

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