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Dear Ms Seed

**RE: Comments on Development Application including the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Brandy Hill Quarry Expansion (SSD-5899)**

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I refer to your email dated 28 February 2017 advising the exhibition of a Development Application and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Brandy Hill Quarry Expansion and requesting comment and advice on recommended conditions of consent.

Under delegated authority on 15 April 2013, the Heritage Council of NSW provided historic heritage assessment requirements to be included in the Director General's Requirements for the preparation of an EIS for the Brandy Hill Quarry project.

The *Brandy Hill Quarry Expansion Project* EIS (Hanson 2017) includes Appendix 12B *Historic Period Assessment and Statement of Heritage Impact* (Biosis 2014). Section 7 of Appendix 12B concludes that there will be no impacts on historic heritage values in the project area and a procedure is provided to guide actions should any unanticipated relics be identified during project works:

**Unanticipated Historical Archaeological Sites**

Historical archaeological sites are protected under the relics provisions of the *NSW Heritage Act 1977*. Should unanticipated relics be identified during any project works, works should cease in the vicinity of the find. A qualified archaeologist should be contacted to assess the find and consult with the Heritage Division regarding the most appropriate course of action. Approvals or permits may be required prior to the continuance of works.

It is further stated in the Environmental Assessment Section of the main EIS, Section 5.10.2.5 *Mitigation and Conclusion*:

Provided that the recommended procedure for the discovery of Unanticipated Historical Archaeological Sites (Appendix 12) is followed for the life of the Project as well as any additional conditions of approval, the Project is able to proceed.

However, in the Statement of Commitments, Section 7.4.2 *Aboriginal and European Heritage*, the Unanticipated Historical Archaeological Sites procedure is not included. It is recommended that the procedure for unanticipated relics be included as a condition of consent for this development.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice, please contact James Quoye, Heritage Officer, Heritage Division, Office of Environment and Heritage, on telephone 9873 8612 or at email: [james.quoye@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:james.quoye@environment.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rajeev Maini', with a horizontal line drawn underneath.

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**As Delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW**

13 March 2017