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Attention: Ms Katelyn Symington

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Dear Ms Symington

Mayfield West Waste Facility Modification 1 – SSD-7698-Mod-1 – additional information required

I refer to your request sent on 17 May 2021 via the NSW Planning Portal, inviting the Environment Protection Authority (the EPA) to comment on the State Significant Development (SSD) SSD-7698-Mod-1 Application for the Mayfield West Waste Facility at 1a McIntosh Dr, Mayfield West, NSW 2304 (the Premises).

Background

The EPA understand from the modification application that Benedict Recycling Pty Limited (Benedict) propose to adjust the approved Development Layout Plan area boundary at the premises by increasing the approved area of 43,000 m² to 47,000 m². This would include:

- The use of an enclosed shed for the purpose of public hand unloading of material and stockpiling of materials;
- Addition of a storage area for processed recovered heavy materials; and
- The use of an existing building for equipment maintenance.

The proposed modification would not result in a change in the recovery and storage capacity of the Premises which would continue to operate with a storage capacity of 315,000 tonnes per annum and 53,733 tonnes at any one time. Further, there would be no changes to the waste activities undertaken at the Premises or the types of waste accepted at the Premises.

Review of Proposal

The EPA has reviewed the *Mayfield West Recycling Facility – SSD 7698 – Proposed Modification – Section 4.55(1a) application* report prepared for Benedict (the Modification Report) and provides the following comments:

- It is unclear what material will be stored in the proposed heavy material storage area;
- It is unclear whether the proposed heavy material storage area will also be used for unloading and processing as well as stockpiling;
- It is unclear what the potential dust impacts will be from the proposed heavy material storage area; and
- It is unclear whether Benedict intend to remove the approved recycling facility covered by DA2015/0291 to avoid conflicts between the two consents as required by paragraph A30 of SSD-7698.

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Recommendations

The EPA considers that additional information is required to demonstrate that adverse air quality impacts will not occur due to the proposal. The EPA recommends that the proponent provides a revised Modification Report for the application. This includes an assessment that adequately:

- Describes the type/types of material proposed to be stored in the new heavy material storage area;
- Describes the activities proposed to be undertaken in the new heavy material storage area, including the proposed traffic access routes and estimated vehicle frequency using the area; and
- Assesses potential dust impacts resulting from the storage of materials in the new heavy material storage area, including the identification of appropriate mitigation measures where required.

Further it is recommended that the proponent be encouraged to remove the approved recycling facility covered by DA2015/0291 to avoid conflicts between the two consents as required by paragraph A30 of SSD-7698.

If you have any queries about this matter, please contact Emily Rindfleish on 4908 6852.

Yours sincerely



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