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Executive Director, Resource Assessments,
Department of Planning, Industry and Environment,
4 Parramatta Square,
12 Darcy Street,
Parramatta
NSW 2150

Dear Madam, Sir

RE: Submission - Dubbo Quarry Continuation Project SSD-10417

I wish to provide a submission to the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment in support of the application prepared for the Dubbo Quarry Continuation Project SSD-10417.

I want to start by informing you I am an employee with Holcim Australia, and have been for just over 15 years across a number of regions and roles, recently having our Dubbo Quarry, West NSW business become part of my operational portfolio

I wanted to highlight the key benefits this continuation project brings to the community, our customers, employees and contractors, as we seek to continue the Dubbo quarry's long serving operation that commenced in 1980, and has been an integral part of the supply chain for the construction industry in the region

- The project will allow the sustained delivery of high quality basalt products to local and regional markets.
- The continued operation of the quarry will provide significant immediate and long-term benefits to the local community, region and State; as the development of the region relies on locally sourced and readily available quarry product that can be used to achieve strategic objectives and plans for the region
- Continued quarry operation maintains employment in the region of approx. 12 site personnel, ~25 Truck driver subcontractors and ~28 regular sub-contractors of specialised and skilled work for the quarry (eg, electricians, mechanical fitters, boilermakers)
- The project area is located in a strategic and central location, which will continue to benefit both Holcim and its customers into the future
- It is sufficiently distances from dense residential areas, minimising environmental impacts to the closest urban environment
- In addition, a staged approach will be implemented to reduce potential land use conflicts.
- The project will utilise existing infrastructure as much as possible and improve infrastructure for an efficient supply of the resource.

- The existing environmental management measures will ensure that the health, diversity and productivity of the environment is maintained or enhanced, where possible, for future generations.
- Environmental management will be undertaken in accordance with the issued SSD consent, updated EPL, revised site management plans, and mitigation measures.
- There will be no change to the existing fixed infrastructure or method of quarrying and processing. Hours of operation will remain as per current operations, with the exception of processing and extractive hours which will commence at 7 am instead of 6 am. The project will utilise the existing quarry workforce during operations. Some additional contractors will be required during construction of the Eulomogo Creek crossing (up to 6 persons) and the proposed access road (up to 9 persons).

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Hamilton', is written over a light blue rectangular background.

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