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Dear Belinda,

Re: Advice on Notice of Exhibition – GRAINCORP BULK LIQUIDS TERMINAL REPURPOSING PROJECT (DA26/26258)

Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) acknowledge correspondence received on 18 March 2026, requesting advice on the EIS for Notice of Exhibition – GRAINCORP BULK LIQUIDS TERMINAL REPURPOSING PROJECT (DA26/26258). FRNSW have reviewed the Statement of Environmental Effects (SEE), with particular focus to the Hazard and Risk Assessment and the Bunding Risk Assessment.

The SEE details a Dangerous Goods Storage and Distribution Facility. It has been the experience of FRNSW that Dangerous Goods Storage and Distribution Facilities present special problems of fighting fire and suitable additional provisions are likely to be required in accordance with E1D17 and E2D21 of the National Construction Code 2022¹. It is noted that an existing Fire Safety Study is referenced in several of the submitted documents. FRNSW therefore recommend the following conditions:

1. Prior to construction the Fire Safety Study (FSS) is to be updated in accordance with the requirements of the Hazardous Industry Planning Advisory Paper (HIPAP) No.2² and submitted to FRNSW for review.
 - The updated FSS is to be used to inform the design and as such it is FRNSW Position³ that the updated FSS be developed to the satisfaction of FRNSW prior to any further submission being made to FRNSW; this includes: an Initial Fire Safety Report (IFSR) and / or Performance-Based Design Brief / Fire Engineering Brief Questionnaire (FEBQ).
 - The updated FSS should be prepared consistent with the relevant FRNSW Fire Safety Guidelines and FRNSW Technical Information Sheets⁴.
2. Prior to occupation or commissioning an Emergency Plan (EP) is developed for the site in accordance with HIPAP No.1⁵.

3. Prior to occupation or commissioning an Emergency Services Information Package (ESIP) is developed for the site in accordance with FRNSW fire safety guideline – Emergency services information package and tactical fire plans⁶.

Project proponents undertaking the FSS are to engage directly with FRNSW by submitting all correspondence electronically to FireSafety@fire.nsw.gov.au and reference FRNSW file number FRN26/1361. Further information regarding FRNSW Meetings⁷ and FRNSW Written Reports⁸ can be found at the FRNSW Building Fire Safety Industry Portal⁹.

Yours sincerely,



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¹ <https://ncc.abcba.gov.au/editions/ncc-2022>

² <https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/sites/default/files/2023-03/hazardous-and-offensive-planning-advisory-paper-no-2-fire-safety-study-guidelines.pdf>

³ <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9447&position=51>

⁴ <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9166>

⁵ <https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/sites/default/files/2023-03/hazardous-industry-planning-advisory-paper-no-1-emergency-planning.pdf>

⁶ https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/gallery/files/pdf/guidelines/guidelines_ESIP_and_TFP.pdf

⁷ <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9193>

⁸ <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9156>

⁹ <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9140>