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Attention: Megan Yates

Re: Development Application No. DA1989/0062 - 4250 Bruxner Highway, Woodview NSW 2470 (Lot 1 DP1136818 & Lot 3 DP833453)

I refer to Development Application No. DA1989/0062 referred to the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) via NSW Government concurrence and referral request CNR-24611 on 5 July 2021. The Development Application is proposed to modify current consent conditions to increase the extraction limit of the quarry known as 'Woodview Quarry' located at 4250 Bruxner Highway, Woodview, NSW 2470.

The EPA understands that the proposal is seeking consent to amend the conditions of development consent to enable:

- a. The annual extraction limit to be described in tonnes rather than cubic metres.
- b. The annual extraction limit to increase from 50,000m³ to 73,740m³, which if expressed in tonnes (t) is an increase from 139,000t to 205,000t, and
- c. Modernisation / alignment with the conditions of the Environment Protection Licence.

A review of the Statement of Environmental Effects (SEE) and accompanying information submitted with the proposal has been undertaken and the following is noted:

The modelling has not predicted significant additional impacts to air, noise and water (both surface and groundwater) and where additional impacts are predicted the proponent has proposed standard management and mitigation measures to mitigate these impacts.

The EPA's area of concern relates to surface water management from the quarry. If approved the EPA would expect that the commitments made in the 'Woodview Quarry Surface Water Management Plan' dated May 2021, will be implemented. These include the increase in sizing for sediment basins on site and the associated water monitoring program required for any discharge points.

The premises is currently licenced under Environment Protection Licence (EPL) 10192 for extractive activities at a scale of >30,000 – 50,000 T annually extracted or processed and Crushing, grinding or separating at a scale of >30,000 – 100,000 T annual processing capacity.


The EPA also notes the following detail provided in the SEE: '8. *Grahams Quarry operate the Woodview Quarry pursuant to Development Consent 1989/62 and EPL No. 10192 extracting up to 50,000m³ / 139,000 tonnes per annum (tpa) from the site*'. Noting that EPL No. 10192 has a maximum extractive activities scale of 50,000 tonnes per annum this indicates an exceedance of the maximum extractive capacity established in EPL 10192. This apparent licensing scale issue is outside the scope of this planning proposal and will be dealt with directly between the EPA and the licensee.

In addition, should the modification be approved the proponent will be required to apply to the EPA for a variation to EPL No.10192 to accommodate any increases in extractive scale and any other operational or monitoring requirements that will need to be established in the EPL.

Based on the details provided in the SEE and accompanying information the EPA has no objection to the proposal proceeding to determination. The EPA is satisfied that EPL No. 10192 can be adequately amended to address the proposal.

Should you require clarification of any of the above please contact Annemarie Hopcroft on 02 49086861 or email annemarie.hopcroft@epa.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely



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