



22 May 2020

Ms Kate Drinan
Manager, Development Assessment and Compliance
Port Stephens Council

via email: [REDACTED]

Dear Kate,

Brandy Hill Quarry Expansion – SSD 5899

I write in relation to the above application which is currently before the Independent Planning Commission (**Commission**) for review. In its consideration, the Commission has identified a number of matters that require further clarification.

The Commission seeks clarification from Council on the following points:

1. In Council's submission dated 8 November 2018, Council stated that it believed that the operating hours under the 1983 development consent were 6.00am to 6.00pm Monday to Friday. Does Council wish to see these operating hours maintained in future or is Council comfortable with the recommended operating hours in the Department's Assessment Report?
2. Council has pointed out that the 1983 EIS for the quarry stated that production at the quarry would reach a maximum of 400,000 million tonnes per annum. Given the quarry is operating at 700,000 million tonnes per annum, is Council satisfied that the quarry is operating in accordance with the 1983 development consent?
3. The 1983 development consent required the site of the quarry to be dedicated to Council at the end of the quarry's life (Condition 6). Does Council still wish to see the site dedicated at no cost to Council at the completion of quarrying?
4. If the project is approved and a VPA is entered into between Hanson and Council, when does Council anticipate the works required in accordance with the VPA will be carried out?
5. If the project was to be approved, would Council want to see any amendments to the conditions proposed in the Department's Assessment Report and / or new conditions added?



The Commission would be grateful if Council could prepare a response to these matters for its meeting with the Commission on 29 May 2020.

If you have any questions, I have asked Ms Helen Mulcahy, Helen.Mulcahy@ipcn.nsw.gov.au to liaise directly with you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S Barry".

Stephen Barry
Director of Planning