

Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure

Our ref: DA 8137-Mod-3

Mr Stephen Barry
Planning Director
Office of the Independent Planning Commission
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16 September 2025

**Port of Newcastle, Storage of Lithium-Ion Batteries (DA 8137-Mod-3)
Amendment to Application**

Dear Mr Barry

I refer to your letter of 15 September 2025 seeking clarification from the Applicant as to their intention to amend the application to permit the storage of Lithium-ion batteries for periods greater than 12 months.

The Applicant has confirmed that they wish to have the application determined in its current form and that no amendments will be made to the application. A copy of the Applicant's letter is attached for your information.

If you have any questions on this please contact Michael Young on [REDACTED] or via email at [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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Glenn Snow
Director
Transport and Water Assessments

16 SEPTEMBER 2025

Michael Young

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Dear Michael,

Mayfield Cargo Handling Facility – Modification 3 Lithium-Ion Battery Storage

We refer to your email on 15 September 2025 in relation to the duration of storage for lithium-ion batteries at the Mayfield Cargo Handling Facility – Modification 3 to DA 8137.

Port of Newcastle (PON) as the Applicant for Modification 3, acknowledge the application states that the storage of batteries would be for a maximum period of 12 months. PON note the view of the Commission's Panel that the options available to PON to remove the duration period are either a formal amendment to the application under Section 38 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulations 2021, or continue the determination process with the application in its current form.

In considering the above-mentioned options, PON confirms that we wish to have the application determined in its current form. No amendments will be made to the application.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

Kind regards,



Laura Wyatt
Planning Manager, Port of Newcastle