

New South Wales Government Independent Planning Commission

10 February 2020

Mr Warwick Giblin Managing Director OzEnvironmental Pty Ltd

Email: wgiblin@bigpond.net.au

Dear Mr Giblin

Re: Vickery Extension Project

Thank you for your email, dated 9 February 2020, in relation to the Vickery Extension Project.

As you're aware, the Independent Planning Commission finalised the initial stage of the public hearing into the Vickery Extension Project in April last year and published an Issues Report, which identified key issues requiring detailed consideration to ensure a full and thorough final assessment.

The Project is currently back with the Department of Planning, Industry & Environment undergoing a final whole-of-government assessment. It will return to the Commission in due course for determination.

I acknowledge receipt of the summary of issues raised by you and other local landholders at a meeting with officials from the Department and the NSW Environment Protection Authority about the Vickery Extension Project.

We will keep a copy of your correspondence on file for further consideration when the Project returns to the Commission for determination.

In a separate email, dated 9 February 2020, you made suggestions for improving conditions of consent for mining projects.

As you're probably aware, the Department of Planning, Industry & Environment (DPIE) has prepared standard administrative and reporting conditions for state significant development (SSD) – open cut and underground mining: <u>https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/-/media/Files/DPE/Other/standard-conditions-for-state-significant-development-mining-projects-2018-08.pdf</u>

However, the Department may change the recommended conditions of consent for a mining project based on its whole-of-government assessment. The Commission may also amend conditions as part of its determination process.

In the first instance, I would recommend contacting, Mr Mike Young, Director – Resource Assessment, DPIE Planning & Assessment, on (02) 8217 2091 or <u>mike.young@planning.nsw.gov.au</u>, to discuss your suggested changes to standard conditions.

Please note that interested individuals and/or groups can and routinely do provide comment on the Department's recommended conditions of consent for a project when it is sent to the Commission for determination.

Yours sincerely

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