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Subject: Discontinuation of Groundwater Quality Monitoring under Condition C24(f) of SSI-4951

Dear Ms Rubenis

I refer to your submission dated 15 November 2023, informing the Planning Secretary that the Project has discontinued monitoring groundwater quality.

I note that Condition C24(f) allows monitoring to continue until the *“affected... groundwater resources are certified by an independent expert as being rehabilitated to an acceptable condition”*.

I understand that an Independent Expert, David Harris of Epic Environmental, has certified that that the Project has not exceeded the minimal impact considerations under the aquifer interference policy for impacts to groundwater levels and groundwater quality.

I am satisfied that the Independent Expert meets the criteria specified in the Department's *Seeking Approval from the Department for the Appointment of Independent Experts* guideline.

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I acknowledge receipt of the submission and note that the Project has discontinued groundwater monitoring under Condition C24(f).

Please ensure you make the document publicly available on the project website at the earliest convenience.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Amy Porter on amy.porter@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Planning Secretary