Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure



NSW Planning ref: SSI-9364-PA-407

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Sent via the Major Projects Portal only

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Subject: M12 Motorway (West & Central) - Agreement to independent auditors

Dear Daniel

I refer to your letter dated 1 April 2025, SSI-9364-PA-407, requesting the Planning Secretary's agreement to suitably qualified, experienced, and independent persons to conduct independent audits of the M12 Motorway (West and Central) project (**Project**) under SSI-9364, as modified (**Approval**).

The NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (**NSW Planning**) has reviewed the independent auditor nominations and based on the information you have provided, and with consideration to the current complexity of the relevant West and Central stages of the Project, is satisfied that the proposed persons are suitably qualified, experienced, and independent.

In accordance with Schedule 2, Condition A38 of the Approval and the NSW Planning, *Independent Audit Post Approval Requirements* (2020), as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I agree to the following:

- Barbara Pater, APP Group as lead auditor
- Annabelle Tungol, APP Group/Artea Green Ventures as alternate lead auditor.

Please ensure this correspondence is appended to the independent audit report.

This agreement applies to the next construction phase independent audit of the Project only.

Further agreement from the Planning Secretary must be sought and provided in writing for the above auditors prior to them leading any subsequent independent audits of the Project under the conditions of Approval. This agreement is also conditional on the above auditors maintaining certification as a lead or principal auditor with a relevant industry body.

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This agreement supersedes any previous agreement(s) to independent auditors under Condition A38 of the Approval for the West and Central stages of the M12 Motorway.

The independent audit must be prepared, undertaken, and finalised in accordance with the conditions of Approval and the *Independent Audit Post Approval Requirements* (2020).

NSW Planning reserves the right to request an alternate auditor or audit team for future independent audits.

Should you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact compliance@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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As nominee of the Planning Secretary