



Mr Michael Pratt
Secretary
NSW Treasury
52 Martin Place
Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Mr Pratt

**Decision on approval
Kooragang Island Waste Emplacement Facility – Area 2 Closure Works, off Cormorant
Road, Kooragang Island, Newcastle, NSW (EPBC 2016/7670)**

I am writing to you in relation to a proposal to undertake closure and rehabilitation of Area 2 (K3, K5 and a small section of K7), which is approximately 36 hectares of the Kooragang Island Waste Emplacement Facility (KIWEF) near Newcastle, NSW.

I have considered the proposal in accordance with Part 9 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) and have decided to grant an approval to the Crown in right of the State of NSW, acting through NSW Treasury. The details of my decision are attached. The proposal must be undertaken in accordance with the conditions specified in the approval.

I would appreciate your assistance by informing me when you start the action/provide the information specified in the conditions and who will be the contact person responsible for the administration of the approval decision.

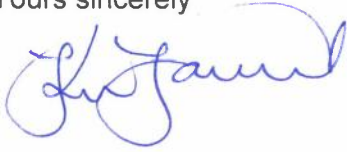
Please note, any plans required as conditions of approval will be regarded as public documents unless you provide sufficient justification to warrant commercial-in-confidence status.

You should also note that this EPBC Act approval does not affect obligations to comply with any other laws of the Commonwealth, state or territory that are applicable to the action. Neither does this approval confer any right, title or interest that may be required to access land or waters to take the action.

The Department has an active audit program for proposals that have been referred or approved under the EPBC Act. The audit program aims to ensure that proposals are implemented as planned and that there is a high degree of compliance with any associated conditions. Please note that your project may be selected for audit by the department at any time and all related records and documents may be subject to scrutiny. Information about the Department's compliance monitoring and auditing program is enclosed.

If you have any questions about this decision, please contact the project manager, Yin Phyu, by email to yin.phyu@environment.gov.au, or telephone 02 6274 1750 and quote the EPBC reference number shown at the beginning of this letter.

Yours sincerely



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