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Attn: Carl Dumpleton

Dear Mr Winwood

Reference is made to your letter requesting that the Heritage Council review the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Coalpac Consolidation Project (10_0178) currently on public exhibition and provide any recommended conditions of approval. It is noted that the Heritage Council has previously provided comments on this project in August 2011 and February 2012.

It is also noted that you have asked the proponent's consultant, Hansen Bailey to send the Heritage council copies of the EA. The Heritage Council has subsequently received a Volumes 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 of the EA consisting of the main report and Appendices A-U.

Accordingly, the Heritage Branch has considered the EA and provides the following comments:

1. It is considered that the preparation of a Historic Heritage Management Plan detailed in Section 8.13.4 of the EA should be specifically listed as a Statement of Commitment by the Applicant.

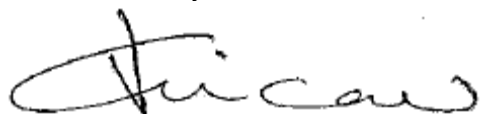
This is to ensure that the management of heritage as referenced in the EA is undertaken in an appropriate manner and that all aspects of this management are documented in a way that allows all individuals working on this project to understand how and why historic heritage is being managed.

- It is recommended that a condition of Approval for this project require the preparation of a Historic Heritage Management Plan prior to works commencing.
2. Should any future archaeological works be required on non-Aboriginal heritage sites, including testing or salvage works, it is considered that the Excavation Director in question must be appropriately qualified to undertake these works.
 - It is recommended that a condition of Approval for this project require that the proposed Excavation Director for any future non-Aboriginal archaeological works demonstrate that they meet the requirements for managing these archaeological works against the Heritage Council Excavation Directors

Criteria. This submission should be forwarded to the Heritage Branch, Office of Environment & Heritage for confirmation.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice, please feel free to contact Katrina Stankowski at Katrina.Stankowski@heritage.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'V. Sicari', with a stylized flourish at the end.

13/04/2012

Vincent Sicari

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As Delegate of the NSW Heritage Council