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Dear Mr Harmstorf

I refer to your letter to the Minister for Planning, the Hon Rob Stokes MP inviting a submission on an application by Veolia Water Solutions and Technologies Pty Ltd to vary an existing network operator's licence under the *Water Industry Competition Act 2006 (WIC Act)*. I have been asked to reply on his behalf.

I note that as part of your consideration of the application to vary the licence, you have sought comment in relation to a number of questions.

In response to your request, the Department provides the following comments:

1. The Department makes no specific comments in relation to any breaches of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* by Veolia or Lend Lease Communities (Wilton) Pty Ltd in relation to this project.
2. The Department understands that the deferred commencement consent for a Sewerage Treatment Plant and a Water Recycling Scheme, including the Wilton Sewer Rising Main was determined by the Sydney West Joint Regional Planning Panel on 8 October 2014. Confirmation that the consent facilitates works proposed under the licence variation and that the deferred commencement terms have been met, should be sought directly from Wollondilly Shire Council.
3. As the Department has no involvement in the assessment of either the development application or the licence application, it has no specific comments in relation to potential environmental risks.

Should you have any further enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Karen Harragon, Manager, Infrastructure Projects to assist you. Ms Harragon can be contacted on 02 9228 6358.

Yours sincerely



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