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Dear Mike

Consultation Paper – Amendments to Environmental Protection Regulations

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Consultation Paper – Amendments to the Environmental Protection Regulations.

Prior to progressing with the amendments to the Regulations consideration should be given to the fact that the maximum concentrations listed in Appendix B, Table 1 appear to be at variance to the National Environment Protection Measure (NEPM) ecological and health investigation levels.

Industry is concerned that waste material will meet the uncontaminated fill definition in all respects, with the exception of natural concentrations.

It is understood that the proposed amendments are intended to allow for the use of uncontaminated fill that meets environmental and health standards. However, the testing methodology appears to conform to the NEPM guidelines as stated in Appendix B, Table 2.

These apparent inconsistencies should be clarified.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Warren Pearce".

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