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Mr Phil Best 3 Sir Samuel Griffith Drive TOOWONG QLD 4066

Dear Mr Best

Thank you for your email of 22 November 2015 about Council's compliance in operating the Mt Coot-tha Quarry. I also acknowledge you sending me a copy of your email of 29 November.

In previous correspondence, I have outlined Council's compliance to the environmental licence conditions as administered by the Queensland Government's Department of Environment and Heritage Protection.

I understand that, as a result of your recent contact with Workplace Health and Safety Queensland and the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, further reviews have been conducted of the Mt Coot-tha Quarry operations. Following these reviews, I am pleased to report it was confirmed that the Mt Coot-tha Quarry continues to perform to the high standards required.

It has always been Council's aim to operate the Mt Coot-tha Quarry in a way that is both respectful to the needs of the local residents, and mindful of the needs of Brisbane through the significant value that the Mt Coot-tha Quarry delivers in supplying high quality asphalt aggregates.

The Mt Coot-tha Quarry is a key contributor to enabling Council's \$100 million investment in the Smoother Suburban Roads program in 2015/16. As part of this significant investment, Council is resurfacing over 450 streets this financial year for the benefit of residents and visitors to Brisbane.

Should you have any new concerns or issues regarding the day to day operations of the Mt Coot-tha Quarry, please contact Mr Robert Bell, Mt Coot-tha Quarry Manager, on 3403 2569.

Thank you for contacting me.

Yours sincerely

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