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Dear Chris,

Re: **ABC Pulp & Paper Expansion**

Thanks for your assistance on this project. ABC Pulp & Paper propose to undertake the following at their tissue mill site in Redfern Street, Wetherill Park.

1. ABC Pulp and Paper have consent for buildings to be used for warehousing. This consent was granted and the details of the consent are provided in the Attachments. ABC Pulp and Paper now propose to modify the buildings and we consider it would be better use of resources if the changes to this consent were processed through Fairfield City Council as they are familiar with the details of the building.

The approval of this warehouse would be requested separate to the proposed use for this building.

2. Increase the capacity of the plant from 40,000 tpa to 100,000 tpa. I note a typo on the Form A – the 140,000 tpa should be 100,000 tpa.

The increase in capacity would require a second Yankee cylinder and associated facilities to be installed. Certain of the existing facilities are adequate for the expanded operations – wastewater recycling plant, electrical substations and chemical storage areas for instance.

We considered that the warehouse and associated works could be submitted as a variation to the past consent granted by FCC on DA but preferred a new DA due to the size of the building. The use of the building for tissue paper manufacturing we considered warrants a new DA.

The cost of the building works are in the order of \$5M. The expansion of the tissue manufacturing will be \$20M-\$25M.

We are wanting to push ahead with their project and see the advantages of processing the expansion through your Department.

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I am organizing a meeting with DECCW to discuss the extent of the studies they envisage as being necessary – even though these will be formally advised. We are about to commence our programme of community consultation. This would need to include Fairfield City Council if you determine the Minister is the consent authority.

I look forward to receiving your advice.

Yours faithfully,
for Benbow Environmental

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R T Benbow', written in a cursive style.

R T Benbow
Principal Consultant