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Dear Mr Perram

**Elf Mushroom Farm and Substrate Plant Project (08_0255)
Approval to increase production of Phase 1 substrate to 2,400 tonnes per week**

I refer to your letter dated 1 October 2019, seeking approval to increase the production rate of Phase 1 substrate from 1,600 tonnes per week to 2,400 tonnes per week, in accordance with Schedule 2, Condition 7(2) of the Project Approval (08_0255).

I note the Substrate Plant site has been producing Phase 1 substrate at a rate between 1,500 and 1,600 tonnes per week in accordance with the Department's letter dated 11 July 2013, and that an Independent Odour Audit (IOA) of the Substrate Plant site operating in this range has been prepared and submitted, pursuant to Schedule 3, Condition 5 of the Project Approval.

I also note Elf Farm Supplies Pty Ltd has submitted an Action Plan responding to the recommendations made in the IOA, in accordance with Schedule 3, conditions 6 and 6A of the Project Approval.

The Department has reviewed the documentation submitted in support of the production rate increase, and concludes the following documents address the relevant conditions:

- IOA titled *Odour Emissions & Biofilter Control System Audit*, prepared by SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd, dated 1 October 2019, version 5.0 (Schedule 3, Condition 5)
- Action Plan titled *Response – Odour Emissions & Biofilter Control System Audit*, prepared by Elf Farm Supplies Pty Ltd, dated 6 March 2019 (Schedule 3, conditions 6 and 6A).

I therefore approve your request to increase the production rate of Phase 1 substrate at the Substrate Plant site to 2,400 tonnes per week, subject to you ensuring the four actions identified in the Action Plan are implemented on an on-going basis.

Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please contact Patrick Copas, Environmental Assessment Officer on the above contact details.

Yours sincerely

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as delegate of the Planning Secretary

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Response - ODOUR EMISSIONS & BIOFILTER CONTROL SYSTEM AUDIT

MP 08_0255 MOD1

Report Number 610.18411-R01

6 March 2019

Elf Farm Supplies Pty Ltd

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Response

This report contains Elf Farm Supplies' response to the auditors' recommendations stated in the Odour Emissions and Biofilter Control System Audit.

It details the actions Elf Farm Supplies proposes to take in addressing the auditors' recommendations.

Recommendations	Actions
1. Any complaint is investigated as soon as possible so that effective appraisal of the complaint can be carried out by subjective assessment.	Complaints will continue to be addressed as per our Complaints Procedure http://www.elffarmsupplies.com.au/complaints-procedure/
2. The Odour management plan (OMP) is reviewed on an annual basis to ensure that it remains relevant to site operations and to determine whether improvements can be implemented.	Odour Management Plan will be reviewed annually as stated in Clause 7 of the Odour Management Plan Rev3.
3. Daily boundary odour surveys are undertaken by trained staff in order to identify and mitigate offensive odours from the facility before the odours can lead to exceedances at nearby receptors.	The Company currently have a culture of engaging staff and/or contractors to odour survey by focusing on identifying and reporting odours that deviate from the norm. This practice will continue.
4. Annual testing of the biofilters is carried out in order to ensure the pollution control system is operating effectively.	Annual testing will be conducted to ensure the pollution control system is operating effectively.