

28 July 2017

City of Greater Geelong

Attention: Planning Manager

**Re: Submission for the removal of the Planning anomaly (reference C359), 9 Scarlett Street
Geelong West**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Roperun Pty Ltd have recently acquired the former Donaghy's Ropewalk site in Geelong West. The site has an Environmental Audit Overlay which requires that either a Certificate or Statement of Environmental Audit is issued prior to a sensitive use being undertaken on the site, and is currently listed on the Geelong City Council's anomaly removal process.

Roperun have recently engaged an Environmental Auditor and assessment consultant to issue a Certificate of Environmental audit for the site.

Sampling of soils (to the requirements of Australian Standard AS4482.1-2005 and the National Environment Protection Measure (1999, as amended 2013) has been undertaken in the past few weeks and identified only minor contamination in shallow soils in a few areas of the site (related to asphalt), and some minor quantities of asbestos containing materials that have migrated from adjacent sites (estimated to be less than 1m² in total).

Discussions with the Environmental Auditor and the assessment consultant have indicated that minor remediation of soils (largely related to the removal of asbestos containing materials and the asphalt materials incorporated into the shallow surface soils) may be all that is required allow completion of a Certificate of Environmental Audit. However, some laboratory analytical results are still pending and the final decision on what remedial works are required will be determined by the Auditor when all results have been received.

The completion of the Certificate of Environmental Audit for the site is projected to be completed by 20 October 2017 (pending the outcome of current additional laboratory testing), and may be available sooner.

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact either Roperun Pty Ltd, or myself.

Regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bryden Tiddy". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bryden Tiddy
Principal Environmental Scientist