



MINUTE 11 OF THE EXPERT PANEL

Response to Unsolicited Comment Kings Quarry Expansion – Stage 2 [FTAA-2502-1018]

(29 October 2025)

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- The Panel has been provided with a memorandum of counsel dated 21 October on behalf of K Jones & C Wedd. The memorandum was unsolicited.
- 2) The memorandum raises a procedural issue associated with the operation of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 ('FTAA'). It requests (at paragraph 5) that the Panel "considers exercising its discretion under s 67" of the FTAA to direct the EPA to request that persons invited to comment provide further information commenting on information that may later be provided by the Applicant.
- 3) The Panel:
- Acknowledges its statutory discretion under s 67 of the FTAA to direct the EPA to request further information and/or to prepare or commission a report.
- Will consider whether to exercise its discretion in an informed manner, and in a fact-specific context.

Chris Simmons Expert Panel Chair