

OCEANAGOLD (NEW ZEALAND)
LIMITED

MACRAES PHASE FOUR (MP4)

Hydraulic Mining PFS

Evidence of **Jason Fong** Regarding
Technical Assessment of Hydraulic
Mining Effects and Proposed
Conditions

INTRODUCTION

1. My name is Jason Sai Poh Fong (CPEng, FIEAust) – Director Geotechnical.
2. My role in relation to Macraes Phase 4 (“**MP4**”) has been to provide expert advice in relation to hydraulic mining geotechnical assessment. I oversaw the preparation of Macraes Phase 4 (MP4) Project, Hydraulic Mining Pre-feasibility Study of SP11, SP10 and MTI Tailings Storage Facility dated March 2026 (“**the Report**”) which is provided within *Part H – Supporting Technical Assessments* of the application.
3. This evidence has been prepared to accompany the Report and the application by Oceana Gold (New Zealand) Limited (“**OGNZL**”) for approvals required for MP4 under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (“**FTAA**”).
4. Section 4.1(h) of the FTAA Panel Conveners’ Practice and Procedure note (July 2025) says all technical experts authoring reports should include a statement regarding compliance with the Code of Conduct for Expert Witnesses. This evidence has been prepared to fulfil this requirement, and if a hearing is not held, this evidence confirms that, relative to my area of expertise the Report provides an appropriate description of the relevant environment, the proposed activities comprising the effects of the MP4 on that environment, and the way those effects are proposed to be managed.
5. My findings are set out in full in the Report included within *Part H – Supporting Technical Assessments* of the application.
6. While this application is not being considered by the Environment Court, I confirm that I have read the Code of Conduct for expert witnesses contained in the Environment Court of New Zealand Practice Note 2023 and that I have complied with it when preparing the Report. Other than when I state I am relying on the advice of another person, the Report is within my area of expertise. I have not omitted to consider material facts known to me that might alter or detract from the opinions that I express.

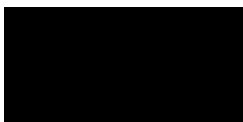
QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

7. Bachelor of Engineering (Hons) University of Western Australia (1994), Fellow, Institution of Engineers Australia, Chartered Professional Engineer, Institution of Engineers Australia, Registered Professional Engineer Queensland.
8. I am currently employed as Director Geotechnical at Agilitus and have held that position since 2022.

9. My previous work experience includes Technical Director Geotechnical at Aurecon (2017-2022, Technical Director Geotechnical at AECOM (2010-2017), Associate Director Geotechnical at AECOM (2005-2010), Senior Geotechnical Engineer at AECOM (2002-2005), Senior Geotechnical Engineer at SKM (1999-2002), Senior Geotechnical Engineer at GHD (1995-1998) and Geotechnical Engineer at Fraser Worley and Dames & Moore (1993 to 1995).
10. In providing this evidence, I have considered the following matters as relevant to that topic:
 - (a) The project description provided by OGNZL as set out in Section 2 of the Substantive Application prepared by Mitchell Daysh Limited;
 - (b) The description of the existing environment, the effects of MP4 on that environment and their significance, and the proposals to manage those effects all as set out in the assessment of environmental effects accompanying the application; and
 - (c) The technical assessments of Relied Upon Information as detailed in the Report.

CONFIRMATION OF CONTENTS OF REPORT AND PROPOSED CONDITIONS

11. The Report is a Pre-Feasibility Study and as set out in section 14 of that Report, there are recommendations for a Feasibility Study to be undertaken. I confirm that in my opinion the Report contains an accurate and appropriate description of how hydraulic mining of tailings could be undertaken and key considerations to be taken into account.
12. I confirm that in my opinion the contents of the Report may be relied on in making a decision on the approvals sought for MP4.



Jason Fong

Dated this 05 day of August 2026