

Media Release

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Statement - Transfer of fill from Barangaroo South to Port Kembla

The Environment Protection Authority today advised the Barangaroo Delivery Authority that it had revoked the Resource Recovery Exemption which allows Lend Lease to transfer excavated material from Barangaroo South to Port Kembla.

Lend Lease immediately agreed to cease the transfer of material, until any amended processes and procedures are agreed with the EPA and a new exemption is issued.

The exemption was revoked by the EPA after Port Kembla environmental inspectors found some pieces of bonded asbestos in a stockpile of excavated material, which had been shipped to Port Kembla for use in land reclamation in the Port's Outer Harbour Development.

The asbestos was discovered as a result of the systems and processes in place to manage the transfer of excavated material to Port Kembla.

It is important to the Barangaroo Delivery Authority as land owner, that all necessary environmental procedures and processes are in place for the reuse of any excavated material. It is vital all material being reused meets the necessary environmental criteria.

Lend Lease has advised the Barangaroo Delivery Authority that it will comply with all directions from EPA.