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Dear Mr Shoebridge,

Thank you for your letter dated 30 November 2018 in relation to a perceived conflict of interest in relation to the Varroville heritage review currently before the Commission.

The Commission takes its conflict of interest policy very seriously, including any perceived conflict. The Commission does not consider that Professor Richard Mackay has a conflict of interest in this matter. However, Professor Mackay has decided to step down from the Commission Panel (and the role of Panel Chair) for an abundance of caution with regard to possible perception of conflict of interest from a 'person in the street' perspective.

I have appointed Professor Helen Lochhead as the Chair of the Panel with Ms Wendy Lewin as her fellow Commissioner.

As a result, the hearing scheduled for Monday 3 December 2018 has been postponed until Monday 14 January 2019.

If you have any questions on our process, please contact Ms Anna Summerhayes on (02) 9383 2100 or email [ipcn@ipcn.nsw.gov.au](mailto:ipcn@ipcn.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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Chair  
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