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Submission:

This DA is contrary to the Objects of the Coastal Act and the requirements of both the Act and the Coastal SEPP. The Act and the SEPP both state that “Development consent MUST NOT be granted.....unless the consent authority is satisfied” and there are a list of matters the consent authority must be “satisfied” are met. To be “satisfied” the consent authority has to have the qualifications and experience to be professionally satisfied. Reliance on external advice must be specific to the actual development location for the development type on the specific site and the specific location on that site. Clearly the available information, other than information submitted by the applicant (which cannot be construed as independent advice) does not meet the necessary criteria and hence the consent authority has no basis on which to be satisfied.

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