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Dear Mrs Kublins

**Horsley Park Brickworks Plant 2 Upgrade (SSD-9601)  
Response to Submissions**

The exhibition of the development application including the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the above proposal ended on 05 Nov 2019. All submissions received by the Department during the exhibition of the proposal are available on the Department's website at [www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects](http://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects).

The Department is also awaiting formal submission from Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW). When comments from FRNSW are received, the Department will forward them to you for consideration.

The Department requires that you provide a response to the issues raised in the submissions, in accordance with clause 85A(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 (the Regulation). Please provide a response to the issues raised in these submissions by Monday 3 February 2019. You are also requested to submit additional information that effectively addresses the issues identified in **Attachment 1**.

If there are any changes to the scope of the development which substantially change the environmental impacts of the development as outlined in the EIS, exhibition of the proposed changes may be required in accordance with Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

Note that under clause 113(7) of the Regulation, the days occurring between the date of this letter and the date on which your response to submissions is received by the Secretary are not included in the deemed refusal period.

If you have any questions, please contact Shaun Williams, who can be contacted on (02) 8275 1345/ at [shaun.williams@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:shaun.williams@planning.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Ritchie'.

**Chris Ritchie**  
**Director**  
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as delegate for the Secretary

# ATTACHMENT 1

## Department Comments

### Process Description

1. The Department notes there will be no changes to the existing operations of the Plant 2 facility. However, the EIS should detail the operational processes of the facility to provide context for the proposed development. The Department requests the Response to Submissions (RTS) clearly detail the individual processes and stages of brickmaking production including the functions of machinery. The Department recommends preparing a figure/ process diagram that clearly illustrates the brickmaking process of the Plant 2 facility.

### Air Quality

2. The Department notes the purpose of the proposed development is to improve the environmental performance of the facility with respect to heat loss and gas usage. The Department requests the RTS identify the type of gas used as a fuel and where the gas is sourced. Furthermore, the EIS states the kiln upgrade will reduce gas energy used per brick unit by 30% and Greenhouse Gas (GG) emissions by approximately 40%. The RTS should quantify the current amount of gas energy consumed and GG emissions along with the anticipated gas consumption and GG emissions of the upgraded Plant 2 facility.

### Waste Generation

3. Section 3.6 of the EIS notes Plant 2 operations last year generated 600,000 bricks worth of waste and the proposed development would significantly reduce waste. The Department requests the RTS provide clarity on the total amount of waste generated by the Plant 2 facility and the anticipated reduction in waste generation for the site.