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Your reference: SSD-68721962
Our reference: DA20240327001227-EIS & DA
Exhibition-1

ATTENTION: Deana Burn

Date: Wednesday 24 July 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

**State Significant Development - Industry
Request for comments - exhibited Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)
SSD-68721962 - 38 CABBAGE TREE ROAD WILLIAMTOWN NSW 2318, 11//DP1036501**

Reference is made to correspondence dated 17/07/2024 seeking comments regarding the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) currently being exhibited, for the above State Significant Development in accordance with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The New South Wales Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) has reviewed the EIS and provides the following comments;

Description of Proposal

To construct and operate a high technology industrial development in Williamtown. The proposed development includes new production facilities and office areas covering over 9,000 square metres of gross floor area, to support hardware manufacture, assembly, testing and maintenance for defence related components.

The proposed development is supported with the following bushfire protection measures being included in any approval granted:

- The development footprint is to be managed as an asset protection zone in accordance with Appendix 4 of *Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2019*.
- The building shall be suitably screened/sealed to prevent the entry of embers within the structure.
- A reticulated hydrant system compliant with AS2419.1:2021 is to be provided.
- A Fire Management Plan (FMP) shall be prepared in consultation with NSW RFS Lower Hunter Fire Control Centre. The FMP shall include:
 - 24 hour emergency contact details including alternative telephone contact;
 - Site infrastructure plan;
 - Fire fighting water supply plan;
 - Site access and internal road plan;
 - Location of hazards (Physical, Chemical and Electrical) that will impact on fire fighting operations and procedures to manage identified hazards during fire fighting operations;
 - Such additional matters as required by the NSW RFS District Office (FMP review and updates).

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The above comments assume the approved subdivision creating the subject allotments will be constructed either prior to, or in conjunction with, the proposed development.

For any queries regarding this correspondence, please contact Neil Pengilly on 1300 NSW RFS.

Yours sincerely,

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