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Dear Navdeep,

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In reference to State Significant Development application for Meriden School Aquatic Centre (SSD-59020210).

Ausgrid would like to thank you for seeking input and feedback regarding the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Ausgrid has undertaken a review of the EIS and associated information in relation to potential impacts or interfaces with Ausgrid's electricity infrastructure.

Ausgrid requires that due consideration be given to the compatibility of proposed development with existing Ausgrid infrastructure, particularly in relation to risks of electrocution, fire risks, Electric & Magnetic Fields (EMFs), noise, visual amenity and other matters that may impact on Ausgrid or the development.

Ausgrid has reviewed "Appendix F Architectural Drawings" and "Appendix DD Electrical Services Infrastructure Report" and advise the proponent must continue discussions regarding new connections and load requirements to the site directly with Ausgrid and submit a connection application to Ausgrid as soon as practicable.

#### **Ausgrid Overhead Powerlines are in the vicinity of the development.**

The developer should refer to SafeWork NSW Document – Work Near Overhead Powerlines: Code of Practice. This document outlines the minimum separation requirements between electrical mains (overhead wires) and structures within the development site throughout the construction process. It is a statutory requirement that these distances be maintained throughout the construction phase.

Consideration should be given to the positioning and operating of cranes, scaffolding, and sufficient clearances from all types of vehicles that are expected to be entering and leaving the site.

The "as constructed" minimum clearances to the mains must also be maintained. These distances are outlined in the Ausgrid Network Standard, NS220 Overhead Design Manual. This document can be sourced from Ausgrid's website at [www.ausgrid.com.au](http://www.ausgrid.com.au).

It is the responsibility of the developer to verify and maintain minimum clearances onsite. In the event where minimum safe clearances are not able to be met due to the design of the development, the Ausgrid mains may need to be relocated in this instance. Any Ausgrid asset relocation works will be at the developer's cost.

#### **New Driveways - Proximity to Existing Poles**

Proposed driveways shall be located to maintain a minimum clearance of 1.5m from the nearest face of the pole to any part of the driveway, including the layback, this is to allow room for future pole replacements. Ausgrid should be further consulted for any deviation to this distance.

**New or modified connection**

To apply to connect or modify a connection for a residential or commercial premises. Ausgrid recommends the proponent to engage an Accredited Service Provider and submit a connection application to Ausgrid as soon as practicable. Visit the Ausgrid website for further details; <https://www.ausgrid.com.au/Connections/Get-connected>

Additional information can be found in the Ausgrid Quick Reference Guide for Safety Clearances "Working Near Ausgrid Assets - Clearances". This document can be found by visiting the following Ausgrid website:

[www.ausgrid.com.au/Your-safety/Working-Safe/Clearance-enquiries](http://www.ausgrid.com.au/Your-safety/Working-Safe/Clearance-enquiries)

Should you require further information please contact Ausgrid via email to [Development@ausgrid.com.au](mailto:Development@ausgrid.com.au)

Please do not hesitate to contact me for further information.

Regards,



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