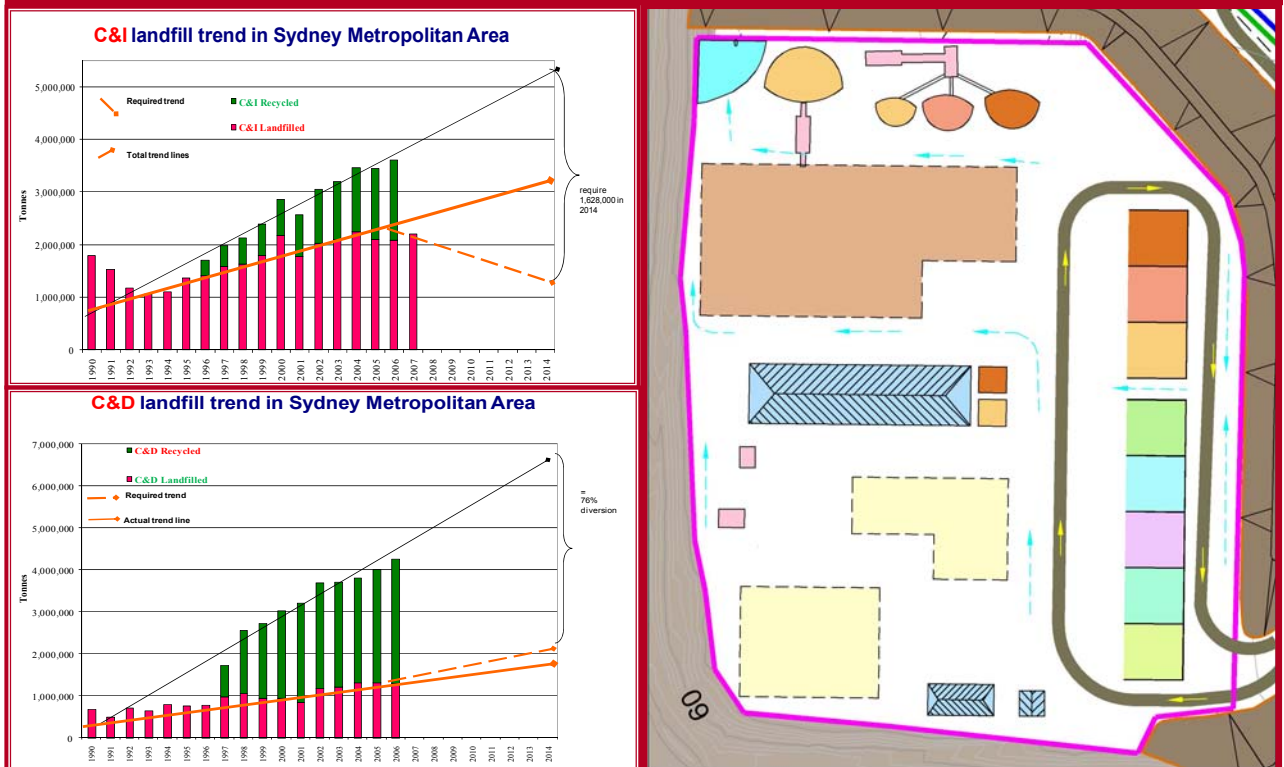


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PREAMBLE

SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

Following the public exhibition of the *Environmental Assessment* for the proposed Orchard Hills Waste and Resource Management Facility, submissions were received by the Department of Planning from five government agencies, 161 individual members of the general public or private companies, four local community groups or organisations and five form letters. All submissions were forwarded by the Department of Planning (DoP) to R.W. Corkery & Co. Pty Limited for the preparation of a response to the issues raised. Each of the submissions from government agencies and non-confidential public submissions was comprehensively reviewed to enable an appropriate response to be prepared.

ISSUES RAISED IN SUBMISSIONS

Attachment A1 lists the non-form letter submissions received, identifying whether they either support or object to the project, and categorising the issues raised into particular fields of assessment. The issues raised and comments presented in the submissions have been categorised into the following 17 separate fields of assessment.

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| 1. State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007 | 9. Final Landform and Visual Issues |
| 2. Asbestos | 10. Surrounding Land Uses |
| 3. Air Quality | 11. Ecology |
| 4. Health | 12. Heritage |
| 5. Noise | 13. Facility Operation and Management |
| 6. Traffic and Transport | 14. Alternatives Assessment |
| 7. Groundwater | 15. Consultation |
| 8. Surface Water | 16. Other |
| | 17. The Public Interest |

A general category is also included (as Section 18) addressing the factually incorrect statements in submissions.

DOCUMENT STRUCTURE

This document has been prepared in four parts.

- Part A: Response to Issues Raised
Part B: Preferred Project Report
Part C: Final Statement of Commitments
Part D: Supporting Documentation



Part A: Response to Issues Raised

Given the large number of submissions received, the similarity of issues contained within a large number of these and in the interest of ensuring this response to submissions addresses all of the key issues in a concise and informative manner, this part of the response document has been structured as follows.

1. All of the issues raised have been categorised under one of the 17 field headings presented above, with separate sub-sections created within the document accordingly. Representative text has been duplicated from various submissions under each issue to provide the basis for each response.
2. Each of the separate issues raised by the five government agency submissions has been addressed within the relevant sub-section.
3. Each of the separate issues raised within the public submissions has been addressed although it is noted that where issues are identified as common to two or more submissions, reference in the document is often restricted to a representative submission.

Part B: The Preferred Project Report

This document is essentially an updated version of Section 2 of the *Environmental Assessment*, ie. the Description of the Project. The text and figures in this document have been modified from that included in the April 2010 *Environmental Assessment* and reflect Dellara's response to the range of issues raised in the submissions.

Part C: Final Statement of Commitments

This part provides an updated copy of the Statement of Commitments originally included as Section 5 in the *Environmental Assessment*. The commitments have also been modified in response to the range of issues raised in the submissions.

Part D: Supporting Documentation

A range of supporting information has been assembled relating to Parts A, B and C.

DOCUMENT PREPARATION

This response has been compiled and assembled by R.W. Corkery & Co. Pty Limited with input from Dellara and seven of the specialist environmental consultants involved in the preparation of the *Environmental Assessment*, namely:

- Aquaterra Consulting Pty Ltd – Mr Anthony Dixon – responding to issues raised relating to groundwater;
- Douglas Partners – Ms Galia Nikolaeva – responding to issues raised relating to waste classification;



- Geoff Cunningham Natural Resource Consultant Pty Ltd – Mr Geoff Cunningham – responding to issues raised relating to flora and soils;
- PAE Holmes – Ms Judith Cox – responding to issues raised relating to air quality;
- Transport Solutions Pty Ltd – Mr Craig Hazell – responding to issues raised relating to traffic; and
- Wilkinson Murray Pty Ltd – Mr David Borella – responding to issues raised relating to noise.
- GSS Environmental – Mr Craig Bagnall – responding to issues raised relating to surface water.

Dellara commissioned an independent specialist waste management consultant, Mike Ritchie & Associates, to undertake an independent review of the Project particularly with respect to its adequacy in addressing the issues arising from the recent modification of the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007*.



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