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Lisa Mitchell Team Leader **Transport Assessments** Department of Planning and Environment

(via the Major Projects Planning Portal)

Dear Lisa

Sydney Metro Chatswood to Sydenham – (SSI 7400 Mod 9) EPA advice on Modification 9 - Extension to Saturday Construction Hours

I am writing to you in reply to the Department of Planning and Environment's (DPE) invitation to the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) to provide comment on the above request to modify the condition E36 regarding standard construction hours.

The EPA understands that Sydney Metro (the proponent) wants to extend Saturday construction hours from the standard Saturday hours of 8 am to 1 pm – as identified in the *Interim Construction* Noise Guideline (DECC, 2009) (ICNG) - to 8 am to 6 pm.

The proposed extended hours are not consistent with the ICNG. The EPA met with Sydney Metro on 14 March 2022 as noted in the proponent's letter of 19 May 2022 and advised Sydney Metro of

Should DPE support the proposal, based on the justification provided in the proponent's letter, the EPA recommends that the proponent be required to implement all feasible and reasonable measures to minimise noise impacts.

Should you require clarification of any of the above please contact Anna Timbrell on 9274 6345 or email anna.timbrell@epa.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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