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Dear Rebecka,

**Re: Advice on Amendment Report – PRESTONS WASTE TREATMENT FACILITY – 13 WHYALLA PLACE, PRESTONS, NSW (SSD-9346594).**

Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) acknowledge correspondence received on 2 October 2024, requesting advice on an Amendment Report for PRESTONS WASTE TREATMENT FACILITY – 13 WHYALLA PLACE, PRESTONS, NSW (SSD-9346594). FRNSW have reviewed the Amendment Report with particular focus to the section 4.1.2.1 FRNSW responses.

The Amendment Report details a Waste Facility. It has been the experience of FRNSW that Waste Facilities present special problems of fighting fire and suitable additional provisions are likely to be required in accordance with E1D17 and E2D21 of the National Construction Code 2022<sup>1</sup>.

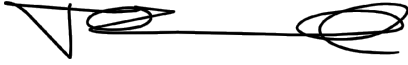
Therefore, additional to the recommendations made by FRNSW in our previous letter out concerning this matter dated 28 March 2022 (D22/23521). FRNSW recommend the following conditions:

1. Prior to construction a Fire Safety Study (FSS) is developed in accordance with the requirements of the Hazardous Industry Planning Advisory Paper (HIPAP) No.2<sup>2</sup> and submitted to FRNSW for review.
  - The FSS is to be used to inform the design and as such it is FRNSW Position<sup>3</sup> that the FSS be developed to the satisfaction of FRNSW prior to any further submission being made to FRNSW; this includes: an Initial Fire Safety Report (IFSR) and / or Performance-Based Design Brief / Fire Engineering Brief Questionnaire (FEBQ).
  - The FSS should be prepared consistent with the relevant FRNSW Fire Safety Guidelines and FRNSW Technical Information Sheets<sup>4</sup> with particular focus to Fire safety in waste facilities<sup>5</sup> and Access for fire brigade vehicles and firefighters<sup>6</sup>.

Project proponents undertaking the FSS are to engage directly with FRNSW by submitting all correspondence electronically to [FireSafety@fire.nsw.gov.au](mailto:FireSafety@fire.nsw.gov.au) and reference FRNSW file number

FRN20/3013. Further information regarding FRNSW Meetings<sup>7</sup> and FRNSW Written Reports<sup>8</sup> can be found at the FRNSW Building Fire Safety Industry Portal<sup>9</sup>.

Yours sincerely,



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<sup>1</sup> <https://ncc.abcb.gov.au/editions/ncc-2022>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/sites/default/files/2023-03/hazardous-and-offensive-planning-advisory-paper-no-2-fire-safety-study-guidelines.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9447&position=51>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9166>

<sup>5</sup> [https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/gallery/files/pdf/guidelines/guidelines\\_fire\\_safety\\_in\\_waste\\_facilities.pdf](https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/gallery/files/pdf/guidelines/guidelines_fire_safety_in_waste_facilities.pdf)

<sup>6</sup> [https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/gallery/files/pdf/guidelines/guidelines\\_access\\_for\\_emergency\\_vehicles.pdf](https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/gallery/files/pdf/guidelines/guidelines_access_for_emergency_vehicles.pdf)

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9193>

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9156>

<sup>9</sup> <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9140>