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Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (Major Projects)

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Your reference: SSD-78269209

Our reference: DA20241206005124-SEARS-1

ATTENTION: Sheelagh Laguna

Date: Monday 16 December 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

Development Application

State Significant Development – SEARS – Waste or resource management facility

178 New Illawarra Road Lucas Heights NSW 2234, 2//DP605077, 101//DP1009354, 3//DP1032102

I refer to your correspondence regarding the above proposal which was received by the NSW Rural Fire Service on 03/12/2024.

- The New South Wales Rural Fire Service advises that the preparation of an Environment Impact Statement, should incorporate a bush fire assessment report, prepared by a suitably qualified person, that addresses the aim and objectives of *Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2019* and which recommends measures to prevent a fire occurring within the site from developing into a bush fire risk to the surrounding area;
- It should address, but not be limited to, identifying and discussing, the potential bush fire threats to the landfill, potential hazards to fire fighters, Fire fighting water supplies, vehicle access and defensible space, Bush fire mitigation opportunities to prevent or reduce impacts on the facility, proposed emergency management procedures, Bush fire Attack Levels and associated National Construction Code compliance requirements; and,
- As the proposed development is for the construction and operation of an existing Waste and Resource Management facility, it is considered to be hazardous industry under S8.3.9 of the *Planning for Bushfire Protection (PBP) 2019*. Accordingly under S8.3.9 of *Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2019*, it is suggested a Fire Safety Study under the DPIE Hazardous Industry Planning and Assessment Papers (HIPAPs) should be prepared. This study should provide details of all credible fire hazards and the associated fire prevention and mitigation measures for the development.

For any queries regarding this correspondence, please contact Craig Casey on 1300 NSW RFS.

Yours sincerely,

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