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Dear Emma,

Re: Advice on Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) – AUSSIE SKIPS RECYCLING - 13 BELLFROG STREET, GREENACRE (SSD-67497708).

Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) acknowledge correspondence received on 13 November 2025, requesting advice on the EIS for AUSSIE SKIPS RECYCLING - 13 BELLFROG STREET, GREENACRE (SSD-67497708). FRNSW have reviewed the EIS with particular focus to Section 12 Hazards and Risks.

The EIS 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 2022¹. FRNSW therefore 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.2² and submitted to FRNSW for review.
 - The FSS is to be used to inform the design and as such it is FRNSW Position³ 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 Sheets⁴ with particular focus to Fire safety in waste facilities⁵.
 - It is the experience of FRNSW that the water demand for fire infrastructure servicing a development of this scope is unlikely to be supplied by mains water alone. FRNSW recommend the FSS incorporates suitable design considerations for the placement of tanks and other firefighting infrastructure if required.

- The FSS should demonstrate compliance with FRNSW fire safety guideline - Access for fire brigade vehicles and firefighters. Perimeter Vehicle Access must be provided at ground level and of an obvious and appropriate hardstand material.⁶
 - The FSS should incorporate appropriate containment measures for contaminated firefighting water in the design. The design should have capacity to contain firefighting water run-off, based on a worst-case scenario and allow for additional capacity during rain events, in accordance with HIPAP No.2².
2. Prior to occupation or commissioning an Emergency Plan (EP) is developed for the site in accordance with HIPAP No.1⁷.
 3. Prior to occupation or commissioning an Emergency Services Information Package (ESIP) is developed for the site in accordance with FRNSW fire safety guideline – Emergency services information package and tactical fire plans⁸.

Project proponents undertaking the FSS are to engage directly with FRNSW by submitting all correspondence electronically to FireSafety@fire.nsw.gov.au and reference FRNSW file number FRN23/949. Further information regarding FRNSW Meetings⁹ and FRNSW Written Reports¹⁰ can be found at the FRNSW Building Fire Safety Industry Portal¹¹.

Yours sincerely,



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

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

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

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

⁵ https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/gallery/files/pdf/guidelines/guidelines_fire_safety_in_waste_facilities.pdf

⁶ https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/gallery/files/pdf/guidelines/guidelines_access_for_emergency_vehicles.pdf

⁷ <https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/sites/default/files/2023-03/hazardous-industry-planning-advisory-paper-no-1-emergency-planning.pdf>

⁸ <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/gallery/files/pdf/guidelines/03%20Emergency%20services%20information%20package%20and%20tactical%20fire%20plans.pdf>

⁹ <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9193>

¹⁰ <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9156>

¹¹ <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=9140>