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Department of Planning & Environment
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Trim # **DOC19/367183**

Attention: Jason Maslen

Dear Jason

**Wentworthville Public School Upgrade Alterations and Additions SSD-9273
Response to issues - NSW EPA letter dated 03/04/2019**

In reference to Department of Planning & Environment return to issues and NSW EPA letter received 3rd April 2019 for our SSD submission, we reference our consultant's letter and responses to the issues raised, WSP Australia P/L dated 11th January 2019 refer no: PS110641-CLM-LTR-001 Rev 1.

In addition, as the proponent (Department of Education DoE) we confirm the following in response to the issues raised and in support of our application;

1. Wentworthville Public School is to be upgrade and the scope of the project is to replace the existing demountable buildings with permanent education buildings, alterations and additions across the site and upgrading the Core Education facilities to suit the future growth anticipated in the area by 2020.
2. We confirm that the proposed alterations and addition works will be completed in three (3) construction phase/stages across the school grounds. The proposed construction staging areas are nominated on Fulton Trotter Architects staging drawings reference 7068WV01 SD-1401. We further confirm that the existing school will continue to operate during the construction stages noting further details are to be confirmed.
3. We confirm the applicant & environmental consultant WSP has completed the necessary investigations, sampling, testing and reporting for the proposed alterations and additions scope of works as prescribed by the Department of Education.
4. *Further EPA comments & Department of Education responses;*
1 Site Contamination
The Rts report appears to suggest that the so called development site would be neatly quarantined from the remainder of the school campus. The EPA does not concur with the proponent's suggestion; anticipating instead campus wide disturbance including those associated with the site establishment,

materials stockpile management, construction related vehicle movements, and underground utilities installation and upgrades.

DoE response: We confirm that our submission includes staging drawings document the construction works and buildings to be completed and handed over to the Department of Education. We note the EPA's opinion yet we reaffirm that the project will be completed in stages and we seek DPE endorsement for this delivery strategy.

The RTs reports variously indicates what "...can be .." done and what has been "...noted.." without making commitments in response to the EPA's advice and recommendations.

DoE response: We confirm that the Applicant and WSP consultant are unable to make commitments for revising the projects scope of works.

According, the EPA confirms its detailed advice and recommendations in its EIS submission, including its recommendation that the proponent be required to engage a site auditor accredited under the contaminated Land Management ACT to provide a Section A site audit statement.

DoE response: We confirm that the Department of Education will address and remove any and all hazardous materials found within the projects current scope works in accordance with EPA & DPE requirements and conditions of consent. Should the projects scope of works be amended to suit the EPA and result in the school's operation being disrupted, we advise that this will jeopardise the feasibility of this application and project.

We trust this letter assists with reconfirming the submissions scope of works, staging, SSD documentation, and responses, and should you have any further queries please call.

We thank you in anticipation of your earliest response.

Yours sincerely



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