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City of Sydney Review Response- Waterloo Metro Quarter

Dear Antony,

It is understood that after submission of the planning documents for the Waterloo Metro Quarter Development, further commentary has been provided on the submission. The comments received are noted below, with commentary in response discussed in this letter.

Yours sincerely

Kate Luckraft Studio Director

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The wind report notes significant improvements to pedestrian amenity and that the development can generally comply with the comfort and safety criteria of the Waterloo Metro Quarter Design and Amenity Guidelines. However, this relies on the success of extensive tree canopy coverage throughout the site and as such it is imperative that sufficient/ample soil volumes and depths are provided for each tree type.

Noted - the wind report has informed the position of tree planting at key locations to ensure a safe pedestrian environment is provided.

All tree planting in these locations will be on grade with access to deep soil area giving the trees access to sufficient soil volume. Tree positions and rootballs have been coordinated with below ground services to ensure trees successfully reach full maturity, height and canopy width.

Landscaping As previously stated, the development relies 47 heavily on the success of tree planting to Noted – Wind report recommendations mitigate wind impacts caused by the have been incorporated. Please refer to buildings. It is therefore imperative that all response 12 for further detail. the recommendations of the wind report are incorporated into the conditions of consent. 48 A green roof is proposed to level 3 of Noted - A minimum depth of 200mm will Building 3. The section on drawing WMQbe provided to inaccessible green roofs BLD3-ASP-LS-DA304 illustrates substrate to ensure there is sufficient soil depth for that mounds up but also tapers out to plants to establish. Localised mounding almost nothing. This is not supported, and to 400mm will be provided where the edge should be increased to a possible to increase soil volume and allow variety in plant selection. minimum depth of 200mm or 400mm, depending on the intended species. Refer updated section WMQ-BLD3-ASP-LS-DA304