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Dear Mr Rumble

**Woolworths Warehouse and Distribution Centre, Auburn (SSD-10470)
Planning Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements**

Please find attached a copy of the Planning Secretary's environmental assessment requirements (SEARs) for the preparation of an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the above-mentioned development.

These requirements have been prepared in consultation with relevant public authorities based on the information you have provided to date. I have also attached a copy of the public authorities' comments for your information. Please note that the Planning Secretary may modify these requirements at any time.

If you do not submit a Development Application (DA) and EIS within 2 years, you must consult further with the Planning Secretary in relation to the preparation of the EIS.

Prior to exhibiting the EIS, the Department will review the document in consultation with relevant authorities to determine if it addresses the requirements in Schedule 2 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 (the Regulation). You will be required to submit an amended EIS if it does not adequately address the requirements.

The Department wishes to emphasise the importance of effective and genuine community consultation where a comprehensive open and transparent community consultation engagement process must be undertaken during the preparation of the EIS. This process must ensure that the community is provided with a good understanding of what is proposed, description of any potential impacts and they are actively engaged in issues of concern to them.

Please contact the Department at least two weeks before you propose to submit your DA and EIS. This will enable the Department to:

- confirm the applicable fee (see Division 1AA, Part 15 of the Regulation); and
- consultation and public exhibition arrangements, including copies and format requirements of the EIS.

If your development is likely to have a significant impact on matters of National Environmental Significance, it will require an approval under the Commonwealth *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act). This approval would be in addition to any approvals required under NSW legislation and it is your responsibility to contact the Commonwealth Department of the Agriculture, Water and the Environment to determine if an approval under the EPBC Act is required (<http://www.environment.gov.au> or 6274 1111).

If you have any questions, please contact Ania Dorocinska on 9274 6225 or ania.dorocinska@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Ritchie". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "C" and a long, sweeping tail.

Chris Ritchie
Director
Industry Assessments

as delegate for the Planning Secretary