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Dear Mr Ritchie

I write to you in response to your correspondence of 14 December 2017 concerning the Eastern Creek Energy from Waste Facility Response to Submissions.

The Western Sydney Local Health District (WSLHD) has previously provided submissions to the Department of Planning & Environment on the Energy from Waste (Eastern Creek) development proposal on 31 August 2015 and 17 March 2017. Thank you for providing WSLHD the opportunity to provide further comment on the Response to Submissions (RtS) prepared by the proponent.

It is understood the proposed capacity of the facility has been reduced by approximately 50% to 552,500 tonnes per annum of waste material. The RtS also provides more detail on the waste composition by describing a waste audit conducted during a week in April 2017.

WSLHD has been provided with expert reviews (ARUP, Enriska) of the information supplied about the proposed fuel composition and the Human Health Risk Assessment (HHRA). The conclusions drawn from the review conducted by ARUP is that the proposed fuel mix (feedstock) to be incinerated at the Eastern Creek facility is not directly comparable to the Ferrybridge Energy from Waste facility in the UK which is provided by the proponent as the reference facility.

Furthermore, Enriska conclude that the data from the UK plants do not provide sufficient evidence that the HHRA adequately covers the mix of pollutants and the concentration of pollutants that might be present in the stack or that the proposed fuel mix will result in emissions that comply with the European Union standards or the measurements from the UK plants if the Eastern Creek facility was operational.

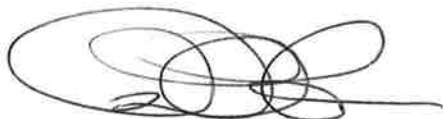
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Therefore, as previously submitted, we remain unable to support the proposal in its current form as we are unable to fully determine the proposed facility's actual or potential impact on human health.

If you wish to obtain further information, please contact Helen Noonan, on Tel: (02) 9840 3718 or Email: [helen.noonan@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:helen.noonan@health.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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**Danny O'Connor**  
Chief Executive

Date: 8/3/18