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Dear Ms Roach,

**Barangaroo South Stage 1 Public Domain Works (SSD_6303)
Response to exhibition of Environmental Impact Statement**

I refer to letter from Cameron Sargent to the NSW Office of Water dated 27 May 2014 requesting advice from the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) in respect to the above matter.

Comment by Fisheries NSW

Fisheries NSW has no objections to this proposal and advise that the planned Water Sensitive Urban Design measures are commendable. The use of erosion and sediment control measures during construction is recommended. In particular, a silt curtain is to be used should any works in the adjacent waterway be conducted.

For further information please contact Carla Ganassin, Fisheries Conservation Manager, (Wollongong Office) on 4254 5527 or at carla.ganassin@dpi.nsw.gov.au.

Comment by Agriculture NSW

Agriculture NSW advise that any proposed landscaping needs to consider noxious weed regulations / determinations.

For further information please contact Andrew Docking, Resource Management Officer (Richmond office) on 4588 2128, or: andrew.docking@industry.nsw.gov.au.

Comment by NSW Office of Water

The NSW Office of Water (Office of Water) has reviewed the Environmental Impact Statement and provides the following comments below, and further detail in **Attachment A**.

In terms of protecting riparian habitat around the harbour foreshores and waterways, it is recommended the EIS, the Stage 1A Landscape Report and the Tree Planting

Strategy are amended to delete any reference to the planting of Honey locust at the Barangaroo development site.

For further information please contact Janne Grose, Planning and Assessment Coordinator (Penrith office) on 4729 8262 or at janne.grose@water.nsw.gov.au.

Crown Lands advise no issues.

Yours sincerely



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Attachment A

Barangaroo South Stage 1 Public Domain Works (SSD_6303) Response to exhibition of EIS Additional comments by NSW Office of Water

Waterfront Planting

The EIS notes the Waterfront Promenade is proposed to be planted with a double row of Honey locust (*Gleditsia triacanthos*) (see Section 3.4, page 26). The proposed use of *Gleditsia triacanthos* is of concern and it is recommended that unless it can be demonstrated that "Shademaster" is a non-invasive variety, Honey locust, should not be planted along the waterfront.

Prior to approving the project, the DP&E should consider information relating to Honey locust available for example on the NSW Department of Primary Industries (DPI) website, the Australian Government Department of the Environment website and the Queensland Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry website.

In terms of protecting riparian habitat around the harbour and its waterways, the Office of Water recommends the EIS (dated May 2014); the Stage 1A Landscape Report (dated 7 April 2014, in Appendix A of Volume 1 of 2); and the Tree Planting Strategy (Drawing No. LA_MP_AO_DA210, dated 5/5/2014 in Volume 2 of 2) are amended to:

- delete any reference to planting Honey locust at the Barangaroo development site from these documents,
- use local native plant species from the relevant vegetation community along the waterfront.

The Office of Water has previously recommended local native riparian vegetation is established along the foreshore area at Headland Park.

Groundwater

The Office of Water requests that the proponent confirms whether the current groundwater licensing arrangements for the Barangaroo site adequately covers the Stage 1A Public Domain project for example, in relation to the proposed volumes of groundwater to be dewatered, the location etc. If the Stage 1A Public Domain project differs to the current licensing arrangements the Office of Water should be advised on this.

End Attachment A