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Dear Mr Nixey,

Subject: Sydney Modern Art Gallery, Art Gallery Road, Sydney Mod No. 4 (SSD 6471)

Thank you for your e-mail received 3 December 2020, requesting input from Environment, Energy and Science Group (EES) in the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) on the Sydney Modern Art Gallery, Art Gallery Road, Sydney Mod No. 4.

The modification relates to amendments to landscaping including addition of reflection pools to front of existing Gallery building; enhanced universal pedestrian entry to Domain; Entry Plaza including rain catcher and tree layout; enhancement to landscaping of the Art Garden with major art commission for new building's opening; addition of terrace area and trellis to land bridge adjoining existing Gallery; security and safety measures to Art Gallery Road; minor changes to planting and minor design changes.

EES have reviewed the Modification Report and relevant documents and make the following comments:

Biodiversity

Under section 7.17 of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016, applications for the modification of major projects must be accompanied by a biodiversity development assessment report unless the consent authority is satisfied that the modification will not increase the impact on biodiversity values.

To assist Planning and Assessment Group in making this decision, EES considers that the proposed modification is unlikely to lead to any additional impacts to biodiversity.

Flooding

EES has no flooding comments.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Bronwyn Smith, Senior Conservation Planning Officer on 9873 8604 or bronwyn.smith@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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