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SSD 7919

Ms Karen Harragon
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Attention: Aditi Coomar

Dear Ms Harragon

**Notice of Exhibition: Redevelopment of Loreto School (Concept and Stage 1)
85 Carabella Street, Kirribilli (SSD 7919)**

I refer to your letter dated 16 October 2017 requesting comments from the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) regarding the notice of exhibition for the proposed redevelopment concept of Loreto School, located at 85 Carabella Street, Kirribilli. The proposed redevelopment is a State Significant Development under section 89C of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

Based on the information provided, the proposal does not constitute a Scheduled Activity under Schedule 1 of the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* (POEO Act) and will therefore not require an Environment Protection Licence (EPL) under the POEO Act. The EPA understands that the proposal is not being undertaken by or on behalf of a public authority. The EPA is therefore not the appropriate regulatory authority for the proposal.

The EPA has previously provided input to the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) for the above concept proposal in a letter dated 1 September 2016 (EPA document reference DOC16/429891). The EPA is generally satisfied that the supporting information addresses the comments raised in the previous letter response.

The EPA has reviewed the supporting documentation and notes that the Stage 1 Operational and Construction Noise and Vibration Assessment prepared by Renzo Tonin and Associates Pty Ltd indicates that noise levels from the operation of plant and equipment are predicted to exceed the established noise criteria.

A proactive and preventative approach to noise mitigation measures should be taken based on the findings of the quantitative acoustic modelling and data. This includes feasible and reasonable noise mitigation and management measures to minimise noise impacts from construction on surrounding receivers, as detailed in the acoustic assessment.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Rajesh Mottey on (02) 9995 6563.

Yours sincerely

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