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Our ref: SSD-79844224

28 February 2025

Subject: Mixed-Use with Affordable Housing – 215, 229-239 Pitt Street, Merrylands (SSD-79844224) – Request to waive requirement to prepare a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report

Dear Ms Paige,

I refer to the request to waive the requirement for a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) to be submitted as part of the above referenced State significant development (SSD) application.

Under section 7.9(2) of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (BCA):

“Any such application is to be accompanied by a biodiversity development assessment report unless the Planning Agency Head and the Environment Agency Head determine that the proposed development is not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values.”

This letter is to confirm that the Secretary of the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure has determined that the proposed development as described above is not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values and that a BDAR is therefore not required to accompany any application for development consent or infrastructure approval for the proposed development.

I, as Delegate of the Planning Secretary within the Development Assessment and Sustainability division have determined that the proposed development is not likely to have any significant impacts on biodiversity values. Evidence that the Delegate of the Secretary within the NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (Director) has made the determination is attached (dated 26 February 2025).

If there are any amendments to the proposed development, a fresh request for a BDAR waiver determination will be required or a BDAR may need to be prepared.

Should you have any further enquiries, please contact Justin Keen on 02 9995 6588 or via email to justin.keen@dpie.nsw.gov.au.

Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure



Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Keith Ng".

Keith Ng
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As delegate of the Planning Secretary

Encl: CPHR of NSW DCCEEW determination