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Geoff Ong
Project Director
Health Infrastructure

Dear Mr Ong

**RE: HAZARDOUS MATERIAL STORAGE – STAGE 3 (NTX) REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT
LISMORE BASE HOSPITAL**

As per NSW Health PD2005_132 Waste Management Guidelines for Health Care Facilities – August 1998, clinical waste, pharmaceutical waste, chemical waste and radioactive waste are classified as hazardous waste.

In relation to the stage 3 redevelopment project - NTX – of Lismore Base Hospital there will be no change to current policies and procedures for the management of waste, including hazardous waste, that currently exist at the health care facility.

Clinical Waste

At present sharps, human tissue, bulk body fluids and blood, laboratory specimens and cultures, and visibly blood stained body fluids and visibly blood stained disposable material and equipment are disposed of through the use of an external contractor. There will be no change to the sharps containers that are currently used and there will not be a requirement for additional clinical waste storage to be constructed as part of the redevelopment project.

Cytotoxic Waste

Cytotoxic waste including any residual cytotoxic drug, and any discarded material associated with the preparation or administration of cytotoxic drugs will continue to be managed as per existing cytotoxic waste management policies and procedures. There will be no expansion of Oncology services as part of the redevelopment project and no increase in cytotoxic waste generation because of it.

Pharmaceutical Waste

While there will be service expansion related to the project there is no expectation and/or requirement to increase current levels and location of pharmaceutical storage facilities at Lismore base Hospital.

Chemical Waste

There will be no increase in waste as a result of stage 3 redevelopment project – NTX

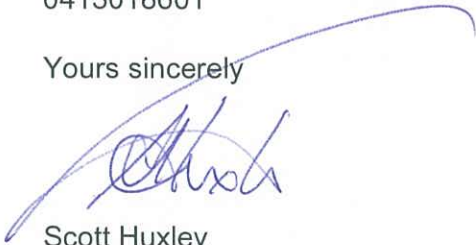
Radioactive Waste

There will be no inclusion or expansion of services in the stage 3 redevelopment project - NTX which will generate waste or material that has been contaminated by radioactive substances which arise from medical use of radionuclides eg Nuclear Medicine

The stage 3 redevelopment project - NTX – of Lismore Base Hospital will not see a requirement to increase or construct additional storage facilities as a result of the project,

If you have any enquiries or wish to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0413018601

Yours sincerely



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