Department of Planning and Environment



Ben Armstrong A/Director, Project Environment, Sustainability and Planning Sydney Metro 680 George Street Sydney, NSW, 2000

21/09/2022

Subject: Request for Works to Take Place Prior to the Finalisation of the Detailed Site Investigations under Condition A9

Dear Mr Armstrong

I refer to your request dated 15 September 2022 seeking approval from the Planning Secretary under condition A9 of SSI 10038 for agreement to commence works in prior to (or concurrent with) the finalisation of Detailed Site Investigations (DSIs) under Condition D71 to D73.

I note that Condition D71 requires the submission of DSIs before the commencement of any construction that would result in disturbance of moderate to high risk contaminated sites.

I note from your request that you wish to undertake works to install High Voltage (HV) routes from Westmead to Parramatta, and at the Clyde Maintenance and Stabling Facility (MSF) along Unwin Street. I understand you are seeking agreement from the Planning Secretary to undertake DSI works simultaneously with the installation of the HV routes. You note in your request that undertaking these works in conjunction with the DSI works will minimise disruption to the community by eliminating the need to double up on traffic disruptions and avoiding out of hours works.

I also note you are requesting agreement from the Planning Secretary to upgrade the pavement to facilitate the construction internal haulage road at the Clyde MSF prior to completing the DSI. You note in your letter that no disturbance of soils is needed for these works and that materials handled are pre-classified as building/demolition waste therefore undertaking a DSI prior to these works is not necessary.

I consider that Sydney Metro has provided adequate justification for the need to undertake HV installation works, in conjunction with the DSI works, from Westmead to Parramatta and at the Clyde MSF along Unwin Street. I also consider adequate justification has been provided to undertake pavement upgrades at the Clyde MSF concurrently with the DSIs.

Therefore, the Planning Secretary agrees to an alternate timeframe allowing for the installation of HV routes from Westmead to Parramatta and at the Clyde MSF along Unwin Street simultaneously with the finalisation of the DSIs. The Planning Secretary also agrees to an alternate timeframe allowing for the upgrading of the pavement at the Clyde MSF to be undertaken in conjunction with the DSI.

You are reminded that contamination risks must be managed in accordance with the approved Construction Environment Management Plan and sub plans, and in consultation with Certified Contaminated Land Consultant, NSW EPA accredited Site Auditor, Licence Asbestos Remediation Contractor, and Hazardous Material Consultant.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Grant Brown at grant.brown@dpie.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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As nominee of the Planning Secretary