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Dear Ms Coleman

## Parramatta Light Rail (CSSI 8285) – Condition E37 Variation Request

I refer to the Condition E37 variation request and associated supporting document which was submitted in accordance with Condition E37 of Schedule 2 of the approval for the Parramatta Light Rail (CSSI 8285). I also acknowledge the responses provided by Transport for NSW (TfNSW) and Parramatta Connect on 26 March 2021 following the Department's request for further information issued on 25 March 2021.

Condition E37 states that the requirements of this condition may be varied with the approval of the Planning Secretary following the Planning Secretary's review of community consultation outcomes, construction noise and vibration impacts and the implementation of noise management and mitigation measures.

TfNSW have requested a variation of E37 to reduce the overall duration of construction works at the intersection of Phillip and Church Streets, Parramatta, by completing the works during the April school holidays as an extended Road Occupancy Licence can be obtained for this time due to the reduction in traffic volumes. TfNSW have requested an extension to the working hours to enable continuous works to be undertaken at this intersection between 1 April and 19 April 2021, and it advised that completing the works during this timeframe will remove the requirement for up to 26 weekends of night works.

The Department has carefully reviewed the variation request and associated supporting document and notes that:

- a Construction Noise and Vibration assessment report has been prepared;
- an Out of Hours Work permit has been prepared and endorsed by both the project Acoustic Advisor and Environmental Representative;
- there have been attempts to consult with adjacent business and residential receivers;
- additional specific mitigation measures will be implemented as agreed with the Business Reference Group; and
- the project EPL 21347 has been varied to enable the works to occur out of standard hours.

The Department notes that despite attempts made in March to consult with the nearest residential receivers located in the Meriton Suites at 330 Church Street, no feedback has been received from these receivers. Condition E37 allows the requirements of the condition to be varied with the approval of the Planning Secretary following their review of community consultation outcomes.

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary I approve the request to vary the project working hours for the period 1 April to 19 April only, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. For any works that result in complaints from any residential receiver, alternative works methods must be investigated and where possible implemented, and the results of this investigation provided to DPIE within 24 hours of the complaint being received; and
- 2. Should community feedback be received prior to the commencement of works, you must consider this feedback and alter work methods and implement additional management measures where it is reasonable to do so.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Rebecca Eddington on (02) 8289 6702.

Yours sincerely

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As nominee of the Planning Secretary