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Ms Prity Cleary
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Department of Planning & Environment
GPO Box 39
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Dear Ms Cleary

I refer to the Department of Planning and Environment's letter dated 4 March 2019 requesting the NSW Environment Protection Authority's (EPA) comments on the exhibition of a State significant development (SSD) application for the SCEGGS Darlinghurst Concept and Stage 1 development (SSD 8993), located at 215 Forbes St, Darlinghurst (the proposal).

The EPA notes that the document titled *Preliminary Site (Contamination) Investigation, 2040 Masterplan - SCEGGS Darlinghurst, 215 Forbes Street, Darlinghurst – Project 86514.00.R.001.Rev0*. (Douglas Partners, October 2018) states "Based on the scope of the works undertaken and results presented in this PSI, it is considered that there appears to be a low risk of widespread gross contamination of the site. The main risk appears to be primarily associated with [contaminants] present in the filling at the site."

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). The EPA does not consider that the proposal will require an Environment Protection Licence under the POEO Act.

The EPA understands that the school is owned and operated by SCEGGS Darlinghurst Limited, and the proposal is not being undertaken by or on behalf of a NSW public authority. The EPA is therefore not the appropriate regulatory authority for the proposal and has no further interest in the proposal.

If you have any questions in relation to this letter, please contact Mr Mark Hanemann on 9995 6845 or via email at mark.hanemann@epa.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Erin Barker'.

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Environment Protection Authority
11 March 2019