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**STATE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT 8096 – MOLECULAR AND LIFE SCIENCES
BUILDING, UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG, WOLLONGONG CAMPUS**

Dear Michelle

Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) refers to the email from the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) dated 9 June 2017 regarding the above State Significant Development (SSD) application.

RMS has reviewed the information provided and advises that while it recognises the significant progress the University has made in decreasing the proportion of car users and increasing the proportions of active and public transport users, the submitted application does not provide enough information to assess the impacts of the development. As such, RMS requests the submission of additional information as detailed below:

- P5 Car Park Extension/ Mount Oulsey interchange: Details on the P5 car park extension (e.g. plans, approval details, etc) that is referenced in both the Environmental Impact Statement (prepared by Jacobs) and Parking and Traffic Assessment (prepared by Caldwell & Kent Consulting) are required. In addition, further consideration of the impacts as a result of the Mount Oulsey interchange construction is required. It is noted that the submitted documents identify that the loss of car parking from the proposed Molecular and Life Sciences Building (MLSB) will be catered for in the P5 car park extension on the northern side of the university campus. This however does not appear to have regard for the construction of the Mount Oulsey interchange, which if built, will result in the existing P5 car park losing car spaces. It is the view of RMS that contrary to statements in the Parking and Traffic Assessment that this cannot be easily modified to avoid the loss of parking spaces without the loss of other facilities. More information is therefore required in relation to this and how the higher demand for car parking created by the development will be catered for within the site. Should further details on the Mount Ousley interchange be required by the proponent they can contact Tim Webster, RMS Project Development Manager on 4221 2430;

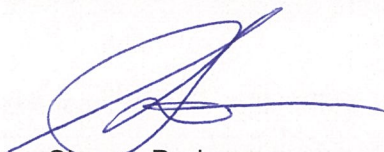
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- Staff Relocation: Additional details/justification on how the building space that will be left by the 69 staff that will be relocated from Building 18 and the Illawarra Health and Medical Research Institute Building will not be used by additional staff/students and therefore will not require the provision of additional car parking within the site (noting that the assessment provided details that the net number of new staff estimated to occupy the MLSB has been reduced by 69 due to staff being relocated). In addition, details are required on where staff that are currently located at Building 42, which this application proposes to be demolished, will be located on site. It is noted that the Parking and Traffic Assessment indicates that only 1 staff member currently located at Building 42 will be relocated to the MLSB; and
- Parking Arrangements: It is noted that RMS's input into the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) detailed that an overall assessment of the Universities car parking requirements and provision based on approval's issued, etc should be undertaken. While it is acknowledged that this requirement was not included in the SEARs issued by DPE, RMS is still of the view that this should still be undertaken.

RMS will reconsider the SSD application once the above issues are addressed to its satisfaction. Should you require any further information in relation to the above please contact Andrew Lissenden on 4221 2769.

Please ensure that any further email correspondence is sent to development.southern@rms.nsw.gov.au.

Yours faithfully



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