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Mr David Gibson Team Leader Industry, Key Sites and Social Projects NSW Government. Planning and Environment

RE: NeW Space Project, University of Newcastle (SSD 6457) – Statement Regarding Detail Service Vehicle Requirements and Provisions.

Dear Mr Gibson,

I am writing to you today as you were the recipient of a letter from Damian Burke, of UoN, recorded in Appendix G of the Environmental Impact Statement for the project.

Please understand that the proposal of 5 new parking spaces for the proposed development is entirely inadequate. Parking in the inner city area currently meets demands, but to add thousands of university students to the area will place massive strain on the local parking facilities.

The "Letter Regarding Transport Capacity", also in Appendix G, states "Newcastle City Council has identified that there is no need for increases in public parking supply". This is incredulous. Firstly, with the recent corruption allegations regarding public officials in Newcastle, including the resignation of the mayor, the local community is unprepared to accept such a statement on face value. The public trust has been broken and the fact the Council has made this statement will only further suggest that developers are receiving favorable treatment, for whatever reason. Or consideration.

And secondly, at the very least, an independent audit of traffic conditions needs to be conducted by a party not engaged by the developers.

To state that an additional 3000 people coming to the city center will have no impact on parking beggars belief.

I am disabled and work in the City Centre. I rely on on-street parking to be able to get to work. I have a severe spinal injury and cannot take public transport. I have a Mobility parking Scheme tag on my car. If I am not able to park close to my office, I will not be able to get to work. There must be many like me who are in similar circumstances. I respectfully ask that the development proposal be rejected until there has been the addition of significant parking facilities.

In the meantime, I will petition council and become active with the community to oppose the development.

I may be reached on 0402 246 876.

Kind regards,

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