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> Ms Michele Niles Department of Planning and Environment GPO BOX 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Ms Niles

## SSD 7865 – UNSW BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES STAGE 2 EIS

I am writing to you in reply to your invitation to the EPA to provide a submission in respect of the project EIS.

EIS section 4.0 states that the application for Stage 2 of the Biological Sciences Project "...seeks approval for the fitout and internal reconfigurations of the Lower Ground and Level 1 to 6 of the Biological Sciences Building (Building D26)." And, proposes to retain the key structural components of building D26 whilst modified Stage 1 deals inter alia with the construction of building E26 and the rooftop plant to building D26.

Accordingly, the EPA requests that the Department applies the EPA's advice, comments and recommendations in our letters dated 25 September 2014 and 7 April 2015 (concerning the Biological Sciences Project SEARs and EIS respectively) to the Stage 2 EIS.

The EPA emphasises that it does not review or endorse environmental management plans or the like for reasons of maintaining regulatory 'arms length'. And, has not reviewed the environmental management plans forming part of or referred to in the EIS.

Should you require clarification of any of the above comments please contact John Goodwin on 9995 - 6838.

Yours sincerely

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