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Attention: Kate MacDonald Email: kate.macdonald@planning.nsw.gov.au

Dear Kate,

RE: Response to Submissions for SSD 12_5374, Barangaroo Central Waterfront Promenade and Interim Public Domain Works, Barangaroo Central.

I refer to the abovementioned application and the Applicant's Response to Submissions (RTAs).

The City of Sydney (the City) has reviewed the RTS and notes that the majority of these issues raised in the City's letter dated 11 January 2013 have been addressed.

Provided below are some supplementary comments on the RTS for the Department's consideration.

Traffic Issues

The City acknowledges the confirmation of traffic and pedestrian counts, confirmation of signalisation and geometry of Napoleon St/Hickson Road, discussion on public transport infrastructure and confirmation of truck management areas.

In relation to the intersection of Sussex St/Erskine St, the RTS states that queue lengths will affect the operation of other intersections in the vicinity but does not address the impact. An analysis of the impact on the downstream intersection is necessary. The argument that any changes to the intersection will have other impacts is understood. However, an appreciation of the impact is necessary in deciding whether or not the City or RMS will have issues with network changes that are worthy of investigation.

In relation to modal split, it is not clear how the modal split targets have been determined. The RTS does not confirm how the City's *Connecting Our City* report was used to determine mode share for event modes and does not confirm why the modal splits differ from the Barangaroo Transport Plan. Further clarification is required.

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Public Domain Issues

The overwhelming majority of the City's previous comments in relation to public domain and urban design have been addressed.

In relation to cycle connections, the proposal maintains a misalignment of the shared zone cycleway and the separated cycleway. The City would request the Department to condition the cycleways to align.

In relation to pedestrian and cyclist circulation, the City notes that there is a dip in the foreshore path to allow overland flow. The dip is managed by stairs, which forces cyclists and some pedestrians to deviate from the main circulation spine to the foreshore timber deck and back. There is increased potential for pedestrian and cyclist conflict with the proposed design. A superior solution would be to install a temporary lightweight bridge structure across the overland flow path.

Should you wish to speak with a Council officer about the above, please contact me on 9246 7321 or at <u>rhand@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely,

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