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Subject: Rooty Hill Materials Recycling Facility (SSD-29999239) -EIS

Dear Mr Zhang

I refer to your email of 15 March 2022 to the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) Water and the Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR) about the above matter.

The proposed project is for demolition of existing structures, construction and operation of a materials recycling facility processing up to 120,000 tonnes per annum of yellow lidded bin wastes and containers collected from Container Deposit Scheme (Return and Earn).

The following recommendation is provided by DPE Water.

Pre-Determination

The Proponent should:

- Quantify the maximum annual volume of water take due to aquifer interference activities required for the project and demonstrate sufficient entitlement can be acquired in the relevant water source unless an exemption applies.

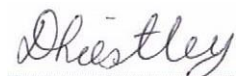
Explanation

Insufficient information has been provided to confirm the potential for groundwater take due to aquifer interference associated with construction and operation of the project. Water take volumes and the ability to account for this water take in consideration of all water take at the project site needs to be clearly understood. There is an exemption to requiring a WAL which may relate to the project, Schedule 4 Clause 7 of the Water Management (General) Regulation 2018 which is for the take of water less than 3ML. More information on this exemption including reporting requirements can be found: <https://www.nrar.nsw.gov.au/how-to-apply/water-licences/Groundwater>

Any further referrals to DPE Water and NRAR can be sent by email to water.assessments@dpie.nsw.gov.au, or to the following coordinating officer within DPE Water:

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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "D Priestley", with a horizontal line underneath.

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