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Dear Mr. Zang,

Heritage NSW - Aboriginal Cultural Heritage - Environmental Impact Statement - (Cumberland) - Rooty Hill Materials Recycling Facility (SSD-29999239) (Blacktown)

Thank you for your referral dated 15 March 2022, inviting comments on the on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the above State Significant Development (SSD) proposal, with respect to Aboriginal cultural heritage. Heritage NSW has reviewed the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report, 600 Woodstock Avenue, Rooty Hill, Report to Project Strategy, Artefact Heritage, February 2022,* and makes the following comments.

Heritage NSW understands that Project Strategy engaged Artefact Heritage to prepare an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR) for the development the Western Sydney Material Recovery Facility (MRF), operated by Cleanaway, at 600 Woodstock Road, Rooty Hill NSW 2766. The proposal will deliver a purpose-built recycling facility for the local area and will include the demolition of existing structures and construction of a Materials Recycling Facility, ancillary office space and facilities, on-site parking and associated works including excavation and landscaping.

The ACHAR found that there were no previously unrecorded Aboriginal sites or objects associated with the study area, and as such, was assessed as having nil to low potential to retain intact archaeological deposits. Based on the results of the ACHAR, it is recommended that no further archaeological assessment was required. Heritage NSW concurs with this assessment.

Heritage NSW concurs with all the recommendations documented in the ACHAR with respect to the management of Aboriginal cultural heritage, and as such, does not need to be consulted with respect to this proposal again. Should you require any further information, please contact Nicole Davis, Manager Assessments, Heritage NSW on 4927 3156 or nicole.davis@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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