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Attention: Ms Teresa Gizzi

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Dear Mr Gibson

## MUDGEE HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT – SSD 9211

I refer to your email dated 27 August 2018 to the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) requesting comment on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Mudgee Hospital Redevelopment (the project) and any recommended conditions of consent. The EPA understands that the project will be assessed by the Department of Planning and Environment under Part 4 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* as a State Significant Development.

The EPA has considered the details provided and notes that the project incorporates the demolition of three existing hospital buildings and the construction of a two-storey building, carpark and associated landscaping and services. The project is not a Scheduled Activity in accordance with Schedule 1 of the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* and therefore the proponent will not be required to apply for an Environment Protection Licence for the project should planning consent be granted.

The EPA notes however that the EIS has identified the presence of asbestos containing materials in buildings that are to be demolished as part of the redevelopment. The EPA recommends that a condition of consent requires that all demolition and site remediation is to be undertaken in accordance with the document *Remedial Action Plan and Waste Management Plan'* prepared by Regional Enviroscience Pty Limited and dated 6 August 2018.

If you have any questions, or wish to discuss this matter further please contact Mr Andrew Helms at the EPA's Central West (Bathurst) Office by telephoning 6333 3805 or by email at <u>central.west@epa.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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