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Dear Mr Piovesan

**Response to exhibition of Environmental Impact Statement for Oakdale South Industrial Estate, Modification 1, (SSD 6917)**

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Reference is made to your correspondence received on 23 November 2016 requesting input from the Heritage Council of NSW (the Heritage Council) during the exhibition stage of the above proposal. The modification proposal includes an increase in the developable area, within the current study area boundaries, changes to layouts and lots and amendments to proposed works including earthworks, civil works and landscape layouts.

The proposed State Significant Development (SSD) site is within an area of known archaeological potential, the Lochwood Estate. The following documents were reviewed in the preparation of these comments:

- Report 'Environmental Impact Statement Oakdale South Industrial Estate Section 96 Modification Proposal', prepared by Urbis, dated 4 November 2016.
- Letter 'Re Oakdale South – Proposed revision to the Master Plan', prepared by Artefact Heritage, dated, November 2016.

The EIS and addendum letter from Artefact Heritage note that the proposed changes do not present additional impacts to those already approved by the development. Archaeological works within the Lochwood Estate are proposed to continue, including a staged salvage excavation, approved by the Heritage Council on 31 October 2016.

The Heritage Council agrees with the documents provided that no further impact to historic heritage will occur as a result of this modification. However, the Heritage Council considers that all previous archaeological and heritage conditions of approval for the project should remain in the modification including:

- Archaeological Salvage
  - E42. Prior to the commencement of bulk earthworks in Precinct 1, the Applicant shall:
    - submit an amended Archaeological Research Design and Excavation Methodology to take into account the potential State significant archaeology on-site to the satisfaction of the Heritage Council;

- nominate an Excavation Director to oversee all salvage excavation on-site. The Excavation Director shall be endorsed by the Heritage Council prior to any salvage excavation works occurring on-site;
  - undertake a full salvage excavation of all relics associated with the Lochwood Estate, including outbuildings and supporting elements; and
  - ensure that any salvaged relics are retained by the land owner in a nominated repository on-site.
- E43. Within 12 months of the completion of the archaeological investigation on-site, the Applicant shall prepare a Final Archaeological Excavation Report in accordance with Heritage Council guidelines. The Final Archaeological Excavation Report shall be submitted to the Secretary and a copy provided to the Heritage Council of NSW and Council.
- Unexpected Finds Protocol
  - E44. If substantial intact archaeological deposits and/or State significant relics which were not previously identified in the Results of Non-Aboriginal Archaeological Test Excavation, prepared by Artefact Heritage, dated September 2015, are discovered during construction, the Applicant shall:
    - (a) immediately cease works in the affected area(s) and contact a suitably qualified and experienced archaeologist to assess the finds;
    - (b) not commence work until the Heritage Council has confirmed works may continue within the affected area(s);
    - (c) address any request for information made by the Heritage Council, and provide copies of this information to the Secretary; and update any relevant plans or strategies, if required by the Secretary.
- Interpretation Plan
  - E45. Within 12 months of the completion of the Stage 1 DA works, the Applicant shall prepare Heritage Interpretation Plan addressing Aboriginal Cultural Heritage, the former Lochwood Estate and Lenore Closer Solder Settlement Scheme for the Secretary's approval. The Heritage Interpretation Plan shall be prepared in consultation with the Heritage Council and the OEH and include information obtained through the historical research and archaeological investigations of the subject land (Aboriginal and historic) to enable future users of the site to understand the sites history.

If you have any questions regarding the above matter, please contact Rebecca Newell, Archaeologist, at the Heritage Division, Office of Environment and Heritage on telephone (02) 9873 8517 or by e-mail: [Rebecca.Newell@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Rebecca.Newell@environment.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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