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Attention: Guy Smith, Planning Manager

Re: Port Botany Industrial Estate, McPherson Street, Botany: Section 75W Submission

Dear Guy,

We refer to the subject development, previously known as Stage 1 of the Orica Southlands development, and our previous traffic report (Ref: 06 076 CP/PA v6, dated October 2007) associated with the aforementioned Project Application. In this regard, we have undertaken site investigations, reviewed the amended plans and now provide the following advice.

This report accompanies a S75W application to vary the warehouse development on the site and seeks to explain and justify the modified traffic and parking provision.

This report includes the following sections:

- Project Background
- Description of Proposal
- Car Parking Assessment
- Traffic Generation & Impacts
- Proposed Site Access Arrangements
- Internal Design Aspects
- Botany Road / Hill Street Intersection
- Conclusions

## Project Background

On 16 April 2012, Project Approval was provided by the then Minister for Planning and Infrastructure for the Orica Southlands Remediation & Warehouse Development Project. As a part of that original submission, TRAFFIX prepared a Traffic Impact Assessment (TIA) report, entitled Southlands Stages 1 and 2 Project Application Traffic Impact Assessment for an Industrial / Warehouse Development at McPherson Street, Banksmeadow, dated October 2007. This project related to a Stage 1 building floor area of 47,000m² and 440 car parking spaces.

This approval was subsequently amended via a Section 75W on 14 August 2013, which includes a requirement (Condition 18 of the S75W) to provide:

"a) parking in accordance with the 06\_0191 Mod 1 for each individual Lot;"



In this regard, reference should be made to the reduced plans included in **Attachment 1** which relate to this 06\_0191 Mod 1 submission. A total of 341 parking spaces were provided for Stage 1, with a total building area of 36,170m<sup>2</sup>.

Furthermore, the approval included the following requirement – at Condition 20.a.iii. of the S75W – to provide the following upgrade works:

"- installation of signage on Botany Road (eastbound) to prevent trucks longer than 12.5 m turning left into Hill Street."

The following assessment responds to these conditional requirements.

#### Description of Proposal

A detailed description of the proposed modifications proposed as part of this S75W application is provided within the Environmental Assessment (EA) submission, prepared separately by Lamp Planning.

The relevant change in areas and car parking provision is summarised in **Table 1** below. Reference should also be made to the reduced plans provided in **Attachment 2**.

Scenario	Original Project Application (PPR)	Current Approval (Mod 1)	Proposed (this application)
Building Area (including ancillary office)	47,000m²	36,170m <sup>2</sup>	43,360m²
Parking Provision	440	341	286

**Table 1: Summary of Changes** 

## Car Parking Assessment

As discussed above, the development is nominally required to provide car parking in accordance with the previous Mod 1 approval. Considering the previous floor area of 36,170m² the previously proposed parking (341 spaces) provision equates to an approved parking rate of approximately 1 space per 106m². Application of this approved rate results in a requirement for 409 parking spaces to be provided for the new floor area of 43,360m².

However, it is noted that original parking provisions were a concession to the Botany Bay City Council controls at the time (which nominally required a total in excess of 600 parking spaces) having regard for the reduced parking provision recommended under the RMS *Guide to Traffic Generating Developments*. Application of the current Botany Council parking requirement (Section 3A of the Botany Council DCP 2013), were this to apply to the subject site, is summarised in **Table 2** for the areas now proposed.



Table 2: Car Parking Requirements (Botany Council DCP 2013) - Proposed Areas

Туре	Area	Council Parking Rates	Spaces Required	Spaces Provided
Warehouse <sup>1</sup>	37,900m <sup>2</sup>	1 space per 300m <sup>2</sup>	126	286
Office <sup>2</sup>	3,400m <sup>2</sup>	1 space per 40m <sup>2</sup>	85	200
		Totals	211	286

Note: 1) Includes Mezzanine Storage areas of 2,000m<sup>2</sup>

2) Includes communal lobby floor areas of 200m<sup>2</sup>

The RMS Guide permits car parking for ancillary office floor areas to be calculated at the lower warehouse rate, provided this area does not exceed 20% of the overall building floor area. On this basis, the subject development would require only 145 parking spaces under the RMS Guide rates.

Nevertheless, it is evident that the 286 car parking spaces proposed will exceed both RMS and Botany Council recommended parking provisions and is therefore considered acceptable.

## Traffic Generation & Impacts

Technical Direction (TDT 2013/04a), which supersedes the RMS *Guide to Traffic Generating Developments* traffic generation rates, recommends the following traffic generation rates for industrial estates, as summarised in **Table 3** below.

Table 3: Development Traffic Generation (Stage 1 Only)

Туре	Area	Period	Traffic Generation Rate	Traffic Generation (veh/hr)
Morehouse	43,360m <sup>2</sup>	AM Peak	0.52 veh/ hr / 100m <sup>2</sup>	225
Warehouse	43,300111	PM Peak	0.56 veh / hr / 100m <sup>2</sup>	243

It can be seen from Table 3 that the development will generate up to 225 and 243 vehicles per hour during the morning and evening peak periods, respectively.

The original traffic report prepared as part of the original Project Application undertook traffic modelling and analysis on the basis of an adopted of 47,000m<sup>2</sup> associated with the Stage 1 site. An area of only 43,360m<sup>2</sup> is now proposed which represents a 3,640m<sup>2</sup> reduction in floor area from the original Project Application and, as such, the impacts of the development will be less than previously assessed. In this regard, additional traffic modelling and intersection analysis is not required in support of this particular S75W application.



### Proposed Site Access Arrangements

Access to the site car parking areas is proposed via:

- 6.0m car park access to Coal Pier Road
- 6.0m existing driveway crossover to McPherson Street

Access the communal hardstand area by commercial vehicles, including up to B-Doubles is provided by way of the following:

- 12.0m combined access to Coal Pier Road
- 10.0 metre combined access to McPherson Street

All driveways will require access by emergency vehicles to provide access to all buildings.

It is also noted that the site excludes the area immediately adjacent to McPherson Street which is being retained by Orica for the purposes of a Groundwater Treatment Plan reservation. As such, formal Right of Carriageway (ROW) will be required for all driveways to McPherson Street.

Reference should be made to the swept paths included in **Attachment 3** which demonstrate access to the site by B-Doubles.

To avoid B-doubles access without crossing the centreline of the road, a Management Plan will be implemented requiring all B-Doubles access the site via the Coal Pier Road entry. This will effectively result in the clockwise circulation pattern through the site which is beneficial to reduce the interaction between vehicles at the intersection of Coal Pier Road and McPherson Street.

#### Internal Design Aspects

All car parking and loading areas have generally been designed in accordance with AS2890.1, AS2890.2 and AS2890.6 where applicable, with the following considered noteworthy:

- Car parking spaces are designed with a width of 2.5 metres, with a minimum aisle width of 6.6 metres.
- Accessible parking spaces are located adjacent to each building entry (8 in total) and include the 2.4 metre 'Shared Area' required under AS2890.6. This equates to approximately 2.5% of the overall parking provision which is considered acceptable.
- A turning area is provided at the eastern side of the northern car park for use by emergency vehicles.
- The 55 metre hardstand maintains two-way truck travel, if required, whilst trucks occupy loading docks on opposite sides of the shared hardstand area. This is a generous width which permits scope for potential secure area within the hardstand should this be required by future tenants to satisfy Customs requirements.

Reference should also be made the swept paths and design comments included in **Attachment 3**.



### Botany Road / Hill Street Intersection – Removal of MP06\_0090 MOD1, Condition 20.a.iii

It is recommended that the following condition be deleted from the approval instrument as part of this S75W application:

Condition 20.a.iii. – installation of signage on Botany Road (eastbound) to prevent trucks longer than 12.5 m turning left into Hill Street.

With reference to swept path plan TX.05 appended at Attachment 3 – which shows a 19 metre semi-trailer truck left-turning into Hill Street from Botany Road – it is clear that trucks larger than 12.5 metre trucks can safely and satisfactorily undertake this left-turn manoeuvre, recognising that Hill Street is one-way northbound.

Accordingly, due to the lack of a demonstrated safety or manoeuvring concern, it is recommended that Condition 20.a.iii be deleted and the current accessibility for trucks longer than 12.5 metres be maintained at this intersection.

#### Conclusions

In summary, the proposed S75W application is supportable from a traffic and parking perspective.

The traffic generation associated with the subject development is less than previously assessed for the subject site as part of the original Project Application. Therefore, the traffic generation associated with the site is more than accounted for in the traffic modelling and analysis undertaken previously which forms the basis of the previously identified package of traffic improvement measures.

A total of 286 parking spaces are now proposed which is considered an acceptable provision. Indeed, both the RMS Guide and Botany Council DCP require less on-site car parking to be provided.

The proposed access and internal design is generally in accordance with AS2890 and will operate safely and efficiently. It is recommended that the Coal Pier Road be restricted to entry only, with all commercial vehicle egress via the McPherson Street access. This will result in a clockwise circulation pattern through the site and reduce potential conflicts between entering and exiting vehicles at site accesses and the intersection of Coal Pier Road / McPherson Street.

Due to the lack of a demonstrated safety or manoeuvring concern for trucks larger than 12.5 metres left-turning into Hill Street at the intersection with Botany Road, it is recommended that Condition 20.a.iii be deleted and the current accessibility for trucks longer than 12.5 metres be maintained at this intersection.



We trust the above is of assistance and please contact the undersigned should you have any queries or require any further information.

Yours faithfully,

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Tim Lewis

**Senior Engineer** 

Attachments: 1) Previous Plans (Mod 1)

2) Proposed Plans

3) Swept Paths & Design Comments



# Attachment 1

Previous Concept Plan





Lot 1 DP 254392	0.28 Ha
Lot 1 DP 528680	9.53 Ha
Lot 1 DP 85542	6.13 Ha
Lot 11 DP 109505	2.34 Ha
TOTAL SITE AREA	18.28 Ha
Springvale Drain	0.28 Ha
Nant Street	0.35 Ha

#### MASTERPLAN **DEVELOPMENT AREA SCHEDULE**

STAGE 1 - LOTS 1-6	
Total Site Area	93,940 sqm
Dev. Site Area	93,940 sqm
Total Warehouse	32,170 sqm
Total Office	4,000 sqm
Total Floor Area	36,170 sqm
Awning	1,709 sqm
Total Footprint (incl awning	g) 35,879 sqm
Site Cover	38.2%
FSR	38.5%
Carparking	341 cars

STAGE 1 - LOTS 7 + 8		
Total Site Area	26,060 sqm	
Developable Area	23,422 sqm	

LEGEND Hardstand





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Preferred Project Plan - STAGE 1 Site Plan

1:1000 @ A1 1:2000 @ A3

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# Attachment 2

Proposed Concept Plan

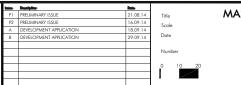


Warehouse Units Area	
Unit 1	
Warehouse	3,300 sqr
Office	350 sqr
Mezzanine storage	210 sqr
Unit 2	
Warehouse	3,300 sqr
Office	350 sqr
Mezzanine storage	210 sqr
Lobby	50 sqr
Unit 3	
Warehouse	4,100 sqr
Office	350 sqr
Mezzanine storage	210 sqr
Unit 4	4 400
Warehouse Office	4,400 sqı 350 sqı
Mezzanine storage	210 sqi
Lobby	210 sqi 50 sqi
Carparking for Unit 1,2,3 & 4	13
Unit 5	
Warehouse	5,800 sqr
Office	500 sqi
Mezzanine storage	290 sq
Unit 6	
Warehouse	6,000 sqr
Office	500 sq
Mezzanine storage	290 sqı
Lobby	50 sqı
Unit 7	
Warehouse	6,000 sq
Office	500 sq
Mezzanine storage	290 sqı
Unit 8 Warehouse	5,000 sq
Office	5,000 sqi 500 sqi
Mezzanine storage	290 sq
Lobby	50 sq.
Carparking for Unit 5,6,7 & 8	15

Site Area Schedule	
Total Site Area	93,806 sqm
Less: Undevelopable	27,883 sqm
Total Developable Area	65,923 sqm
Warehouse	37,900 sqm
Office	3,400 sqm
Mezzanine storage	2,000 sqm
Lobby	200 sqm
Total Facility	43,500 sqm
FSR	0.66 : 1
Carparking Provided	286



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## Attachment 3

Swept Paths & Design Comments

